

Security At Dance Raises Questions Of College Bias

By Kristen Green
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A weekend program designed to encourage 26 minority high school students to attend Mary Washington College next year may actually have deterred some of them.

At a Black Student Association dance for the prospective students on April 3, four police officers patrolled the Underground, made the visiting students show identification, and required them to pass through a metal detector to get in.

Many of the potential students, who wore program nametags, were denied admission when they were unable to present further identification to the police at the dance, which was open only to MWC students and guests of the college. A number of students and some college officials have complained about the heavy security, which some of the prospective students apparently saw as discriminatory.

Junior Ring Dance was held in Woodard Campus Center Saturday night at the same time as the BSA dance in the Underground, and though many visitors were among the hundreds who attended Junior Ring Dance, there was no metal detector in the campus center and no one was required to show identification.

Yolanda Floyd, who attended the BSA dance, said she talked to several of the prospective students, many of whom were upset about the increased security at the much smaller BSA dance.



David White

"From what I hear, some of them said they were going to change their minds [about attending MWC] because of the incident," Floyd said. "They felt like if they were going to have to go through this the next four years, then why come here?"

College officials would not release the names of the visiting high school students.

Despite repeated calls by the *Bulletin* to the MWC police department, no police officials would discuss the incident or the college's policy about security at college events. Investigator Richard Knick said the policies were set up by police officials and college administrators, but said he was not willing to talk about security at the BSA dance.

Campus Police Chief David Ankney did not return numerous phone calls from the *Bulletin*, but did say through Knick that security at the dance was under investigation.

Conrad Warlick, who oversees campus police as vice president of administrative services, confirmed that the event is under investigation.

"They [the police] certainly cannot comment at this point and neither can I," he said.

But Warlick did say he did not think the event was part of the black student weekend. He added that police do not ever set up security, but instead respond to requests by organizations sponsoring campus events.

In a memo sent to campus organizations earlier this year, campus police

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Senate Welfare Committee Chair Nate Wade addresses crowd on steps of Lee Hall, above; senior Chris Wright, right, led Ball Circle rally at 4:30 a.m. Friday. Photos by Derek Bottcher.

They're Mad As Hell

Students Rally To Protest Campus Visitation Policy

By Kendra L. Williams
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After voting down a proposal to eliminate same-sex visitation on weeknights, Senate passed a new proposal that once again demands that 24 hour seven days per week [24/7] visitation begin next fall.

Nate Wade, co-chair of the Senate Welfare Committee, presented the revised 24/7 proposal to Senate April 7, one week after senators rejected the visitation subcommittee's proposal to eliminate same-sex visitation on weeknights by redefining "guest" as any person visiting a residence hall in which they do not live.

"We [the members of the Senate Welfare Committee] started out working with the members of the visitation subcommittee to make a compromise, but the more we

talked, the more we realized that this is not the time for compromise. We need to push for 24/7," Wade said.

Dean of Students Joanne Beck made clear in meetings with Wade that she is most concerned about protecting roommates' rights and the rights of non-assertive students. Beck also wanted the new proposal to answer where guests would sleep if staying in a host's room overnight.

The new proposal says that in order to extend visitation, a residence hall must have a 75 percent vote in favor of such a policy. Roommates would also be required to attend assertiveness training workshops together and keep a roommate contract on file with their resident assistant.

The proposal states that each residence hall will be equipped with two portable cots per floor that may be signed out at the front desk.

Senator Todd Palcic said that while

the total cost of the cots can only be estimated at this point, Student Association President Len Ornstein said S.A. would help purchase the cots. Wade said he intends to ask for funding from the Admissions Club and the Multicultural Center, since both of those organizations sponsor overnight guests at the college.

Beck said when Wade presented her with the new 24/7 proposal, she was in "total shock."

Wade said he hopes to have a decision from the senior staff about the 24/7 proposal by Wednesday.

Senate also voted to join the Executive Cabinet and the Senate Board of Officers in supporting any student who responsibly violated visitation April 8.

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Faculty Votes Down Plus/Minus Grading

By Jennifer Dockera
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When classes begin again in the fall, Mary Washington will not join the ranks of the 11 Virginia colleges and universities that have a plus/minus grading system. The faculty voted 59-45 against the proposed change at their monthly meeting on Wednesday.

The Academic Affairs committee brought the motion to the March faculty meeting, and Richard Palmieri, professor of geography, moved that the faculty accept the proposal. Palmieri said he was not supporting or going against the issue, but he felt that it should be brought up to the faculty if it was something the students wanted. But feedback from his students prior to the vote showed the opposite feeling.

"I took a poll of my students and about two-thirds of my students said they didn't want the change, so I went along with that," said Palmieri, who said that his undergraduate school used the actual number of a student's grade on their transcripts.

"Most professors don't seem to really care either way, but I was surprised that my classes were overwhelmingly opposed to it," he said.

The faculty committee on Academic Affairs originally brought the issue to the faculty last year after a student senate poll showed that students favored this type of change. But a new poll conducted by the student Senate recently showed that students say that they do not feel strongly about the issue one way or another. Sophomore Maureen Stinger, newly elected student academic affairs chairperson, announced that the approximately 300 students surveyed seemed to be split almost completely in half on this issue.

"In our poll, 65 percent of students are happy with the current grading system [while] 35 percent are unhappy with it," said Stinger. However, Stinger said that 51 percent of the students surveyed favored the change in the grading system, with 49 percent against it. Stinger said she couldn't take a stand on the issue.

"Since the Senate poll was split, I felt I couldn't really argue either way. But we haven't really lost anything though," said Stinger, who said that if a future poll is more conclusive with students favoring the change, then she will pursue the issue further.

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Opening Of New Dorm Will Mean Fewer Phones In Old

Proposed \$5.5 million project would eventually put hook-ups in all dormitory rooms

By Adam Owings
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Beginning next semester residents of Westmoreland and Willard Halls may find it more difficult to reach out and touch someone.

At the March 31 senate meeting, H. Conrad Warlick, vice president for administrative services, announced

that residents of Willard and Westmoreland will not have access to private phone lines next semester.

"The administration felt it was better for students to know ahead of time that Willard and Westmoreland will not have phones rather than have students sign up during room selection thinking they'd have a phone next year," said Warlick.

C&P Telephone, currently under contract with the college, provides Mary Washington with a finite number of phone lines and the college is already at its maximum capacity, explained Warlick. At this time there is no way to add more lines to the college, he added.

Willard and Westmoreland, currently the only dorms on campus with

private phone lines, will lose private line access this summer so the new dorm under construction may be wired with hall phones, pay phones and an assistant dean's phone, according to Warlick.

"That's just the way it has to be right now," said Heather Mullins, vice

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Dance Prof Removed From Classroom

By Jennifer Dockera
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College administrators have acknowledged that they relieved Assistant Dance Professor Cathy Paine of her teaching duties last week, but say that she has not been fired.

Paine had already submitted her resignation from the college effective the end of the school year, but her students were told last week that she will not teach the remaining sessions of her four classes.

The last four weeks of her classes are being covered by two replacements, and Michael Joyce, chairperson of the department of dramatic arts and dance, will determine students' grades.

Paine could not be reached for comment, and did not return repeated phone calls to her home in Richmond this weekend.

Marjorie Poyck, executive assistant to the president, confirmed that Paine has been removed from the classroom, but said that Paine has not been fired.

"She is still an employee of the college, she's just not teaching her classes anymore. It was kind of a mutual decision [between Paine and the administration]," said Poyck, who said a final decision on Paine's status is expected later this week.

"Any faculty member works under the president. Whatever arrangement that occurs concerning their contracts is worked out by him," she said.

According to Roy Weinstein, associate vice president for academic affairs, Paine is still being paid by the college.

Paine announced earlier this semester that she would resign, in part, she said, because she felt that the administration did not appreciate the arts. Her announcement came at the height of uncertainty over the fate of the dance department, which is currently awaiting Thursday's Board of Visitor's meeting, where a decision on the future of the dance major will be made.

Paine's teaching ended earlier than expected, however, leaving her students wondering why.

Several students raised questions about Paine's departure, and cited her grading policy as a possible reason.

According to senior Chris Wright, a theater major who is enrolled in Paine's beginning modern dance class, "She did say that she'd be rather lax in her grading because she'd like to teach in an environment free from the pressure of grades."

Poyck confirmed that the administration became aware of Paine's grading policy recently, and said that it will probably be taken into consideration.

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Club Targets Gas Guzzling Cars In National Ecology Ticket Campaign

By George Chase
Bulletin Staff Writer

President Anderson's Lincoln Town Car will receive a ticket this week but it will not be from the police. The ticket will be issued by the Mary Washington College Ecology Club because the president of the college's car has poor fuel economy.

The Ecology Club will be working with the Greenhouse Crisis Foundation, which started a nationwide Ticket America program on April 7, to increase public awareness about the negative environmental effects of "gas guzzling" cars. They will be ticketing cars that have low gas mileage on and around campus this Wednesday.

Ecology Club member Aimee Cooper said, "We're trying to alert these car owners about the choice they are making, that they could have a car that's better for the environment."

According to Dan Barry, who works for the Washington, D.C. based Greenhouse Crisis Foundation, the campaign is aimed at recent model cars that get less than the average 27.5 miles per gallon. The Ecology Club will target cars to be ticketed by using a list of over 100 cars compiled by the Center for Auto Safety. A few of the cars, each at the bottom of the fuel economy of their class are Saab 900, Ford Probe and most BMWs.

"Cars that were made before 1989 will not be ticketed because older cars are often second hand cars bought for financial reasons," said Barry.

The tickets will tell the owners two things. One side of

the ticket will list the problems caused by driving a "gas guzzler," listing air pollution sickness, smog, global warming and dependence on foreign oils as the biggest drawbacks. The other side of the ticket will name four things that people can do to help cars and the planet co-exist, such as buying a fuel efficient car, properly maintaining the car, using alternate transportation and supporting state and local initiatives on environment.

"We realize that no one is going to turn around and sell their car, but we hope to inform them so that the next time they buy a car they will also consider gas mileage when making their decision," said Barry.

Junior Sandra Fowles, ecology club president-elect, said she does not expect a quick turnaround from this program, but their main goal is to increase car owners' awareness about the effects of "gas guzzling" cars.

"With these tickets we're hoping more to increase awareness than cause irritation," said Fowles. "Most students won't receive tickets because they can't afford new cars, but maybe they will be better educated when they can," she said. "We're hoping people will read the tickets and learn from them."

Barry said his public education program is currently in place in about 100 colleges and universities. Barry projects that the program will be in place in over 200 colleges and universities by the end of the year and he also hopes to designate half a million tickets by the end of the year.

"It's a chance for student activists to get out there since it is a student run campaign," said Barry.

Policebeat

Two Students Report Rapes To MWC Police

By Adam Fike
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Rape

• On March 28 a rape was reported to campus police by a female student, who chose not to press charges.

• On April 1 a rape that allegedly took place off campus in Fredericksburg was reported to the campus police by a female student. Because the incident occurred off campus the student was referred to the Fredericksburg police.

These are the first two rapes reported to campus police this year.

Intoxication

• On March 28 Jeff Hitchens, a non-student, was charged with drunk in public (DIP) on College Avenue, with a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .17.

• On March 28 James Shook, a non-student, was charged with driving under the influence, and reckless driving, on U.S. 1. Shook had previously been designated a "habitual offender," according to campus police, and so has been charged with a felony.

• On April 3 a student was sent to the health center with a BAC of .17.

• On April 3 a staff member was charged with DIP on College Avenue at William Street with a BAC of .13.

• On April 4th two students were arrested for DIP at the Great Hall.

• On April 8, James Bailey, a non-student, was charged with DIP on U.S. 1.

• On April 8, Phillip Small, a non-student, was charged with DIP.

Vandalism

• On March 28, a tent was torn down in Ball Circle.

• On March 28 a fire extinguisher was stolen and fired in Randolph Hall.

• On March 31 a door lock in Westmoreland Hall was tampered with, which made it so loose that it would not open.

Theft

• On March 29 a calculator and books were stolen from Seacobeck.

• On March 30, a theft of a word processor and radio was reported. The items were returned.

• On March 31 a text book was reported stolen.

• On April 1 a seat post for a bike was reported stolen from Bushnell Hall.

• On April 1 the master key was reported stolen from Alvey, and was returned later.

• On April 2 a theft of a 16-speed mountain bike was reported.

• On April 2 theft of a backpack and text books were reported stolen from Seacobeck.

• On April 4 a watch was reported stolen from a room in Ball Hall. The watch was later returned.

• On April 5 a "Blood Tour '93" sign was reported stolen from Goolrick.

• On April 6 a backpack was reported stolen from Seacobeck, but was returned in a case of mistaken identity.

Trespassing

• On April 6 Jose Cuellar, a non-student, was issued a trespass warrant after hanging around Combs Hall for a couple days.

Miscellaneous

• On March 30 the window of a car was found broken out on Double Drive.

• On April 9 Anthony Sutton, a non-student, was charged with obstruction of duty and arrested for allegedly giving false information to a police officer. Sutton reportedly gave police a false name and told a police officer on campus that he had attempted to commit suicide. The officer reported that there was no physical evidence of attempted suicide.

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explained the "special event search policy." The memo stated that, "Searches will not be routinely conducted at traditional College events scheduled for enrolled students only where the general public is not invited."

The policy also says that metal detection searches will take place at any event which is open to the general public, where an admission charge is collected, where the entertainer contract specifies that searches be conducted, where a dignitary is in attendance, or where police have received "adverse intelligence information" about the performance group or activity.

According to Assistant Dean of Admissions David White, who organized the black student weekend, the BSA dance was not open to the public and did not fall under guidelines necessary for added security.

"We're chalking it up to miscommunication [between the police and Admissions]," said White.

But Cedric Rucker, assistant dean for student activities, said that earlier this semester when he requested security for the event, it had not been designated as open or closed to the public. He also said he did not think security at the event was discriminatory.

"Security is not a new phenomena. We have security at all events," Rucker said. "In no way were those things directed at keeping students from attending MWC."

However, Rucker acknowledged that there were communication problems between the police and his office about the security of the event. Rucker said he organized the event in conjunction with the office of admissions.

"If students have concerns about security we will address them," Rucker said. "I don't see that as an ongoing problem at the college."

Though police officers were unwilling to comment, some black administrators say they were upset about the heavy security at the BSA dance.

Forrest Parker, director of the Multicultural Center, said he was concerned because of questions that security at the dance was not consistent with police regulations.

"There is a perception that there is more security at our events than other events," he said. "Anytime there is a perception that there is one rule-of-thumb for one group and not another, I'm concerned."

Assistant Dean of Admissions White, who focuses on minority recruitment, said that though the prospective students were upset about the incident, most were still interested in attending the college.

"That event did not deter them from wanting to attend this institution," White said. "I don't think anyone based their decision solely on that event."

White said that when the students evaluated the weekend, many said that they were planning to attend MWC and that the weekend helped them make that decision.

But White also said the potential students were upset

about not being allowed into the dance and "the reasons behind it."

"In their eyes it was definitely because they were black students," he said. "Naturally they were upset and I don't blame them."

"They felt like the sensitivity level of the campus police was not there," White said.

White said that one of the BSA members called to tell him that some of the prospective students were being denied admission to the dance. He then contacted Cedric Rucker and both went to the dance to talk to police about why the potential students, who were guests of the college, were having difficulty entering the dance.

"I let him [the police officer] know these students were guests of the college. I explained about what kind of event it was and why the extra security was not necessary," White said.

Forrest Parker also said that a student contacted him to tell him that students were not being allowed into the dance. Parker called the police and asked them to allow the high school students into the dance regardless of whether they had identification.

"Requiring I.D.s means it [the event] is only for MWC students. That is the part that got lost in the shuffle," Parker said.

Duane Frankson, the newly elected BSA president, said that Friday night April 2, as part of the weekend events, there was a dance with a deejay and metal detectors were not used. But Frankson said that for the Saturday night BSA dance in the Underground, the police did use metal detectors.

"I heard that a lot of people just left. They just got fed up," he said. "It might make a them think twice about coming to MWC."

Frankson did not attend the dance Saturday night but said that he had spoken with former BSA president Jeff Torrence about the incidents. Torrence did attend the dance but refused to comment.

Frankson said he heard that three white males were admitted to the dance by the police, who had denied admission to some of the black high school students.

"I wasn't there so I can't really make a judgement as to whether it was racial, but it was inconsistent," he said.

"Probably the way things usually go at MWC, policies aren't very clear," he said. "It could be just that the police were misinformed."

Frankson, who said he is not mad or upset about the incident, said he is trying to schedule a meeting with Chief Ankeny and Cedric Rucker to discuss the police security policy.

"What I want is a clear definition of the policy and then I want consistency," he said.

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ation when the final decision on Paine's status is made.

"I'm aware that some students had said she told them she would give out all A's this semester," said Poyck.

"That's not a very equitable situation in the classroom. It does not promote teaching, and it takes away from the thought of striving for excellence," said Poyck.

According to Joyce, Paine's remaining classes will be taught by dance alumnus Vicky Wilder, who is married to Vice President for Admissions Martin Wilder, and Sharon Fields, a local woman who will teach Paine's Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes.

Assistant Vice President for Personnel Services Shelli Short said that she could not comment specifically on Paine's situation, but said there are specific provisions in the faculty handbook under which a professor can be removed from the classroom.

According to the handbook, non-tenured professors can be removed from the classroom if they are considered incapable of properly performing their duties because of serious misconduct, or physical, emotional or medical disability.

Sophomore Dance Major Jennifer McNure said the curriculum of the upper-level classes will now change considerably. Fields plans to teach yoga to the advanced

modern technique class, and the teaching seminar will be expanded to include dance therapy, which is Wilder's specialty.

"[Yoga] is different from modern dance. I'm a little disappointed, but at the same time, it is rated. But it is also not dance," said McNure.

According to McNure, students were told that Joyce will decide their final grades, a fact that upset many students.

"I don't consider Michael Joyce an unfair person, but he hasn't been in the class. I can't really think of anyone who could fairly grade our class because they haven't been there," said Chris Wright.

According to Jean Hunt, assistant professor of dance, Paine is on vacation until late Monday night. Hunt said that she could not comment any further on the matter.

Many students involved with the dance program did not want to comment on the situation, and said they feared that it would have an adverse effect on the outcome of Thursday's meeting [about the future of the dance major].

According to Poyck, "It's impossible to say what has happened and what is happening at this point because nothing has been finalized."



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Nominations For Faculty Awards Being Accepted

Nominations for the Grellet C. Simpson Award and the Alumni Association Outstanding Young Faculty Member Award are now being accepted by Philip Hall, vice president for academic affairs and dean. The Outstanding Young Faculty Award recognizes outstanding overall performance by a faculty member who has been at Mary Washington College for between two and five years. All faculty are eligible for the Grellet C. Simpson Award, which recognizes exceptional teaching. Nomination letters should be submitted by Monday, April 19.

NEWS BRIEFS

Gay Couple To Speak On Struggle To Get Married

Craig Dean and Patrick Gill will speak on their struggle to be issued a marriage license in the District of Columbia at a lecture on Tuesday, April 13 at 8 p.m. in Combs Hall, room 300. A question and answer period will follow the lecture, "Gay Marriage: An Idea Whose Time Has Come?" The lecture is sponsored by the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Association.

MWC Foundation Receives \$635,000 In Gifts To College

The Mary Washington College Foundation has announced the receipt of over \$635,000 in recent gifts

to the college. The foundation, which coordinates all private giving to the college, formally accepted the gifts during its meeting in Fredericksburg on April 3.

A gift of \$300,000 was received from Alfred Levitt, a New York artist and international researcher of prehistoric art. The foundation also received an \$85,000 gift from the Loughran Foundation of Washington, D.C.

A gift of \$50,000 was announced by the Foundation from ARA, Inc., which operates the college's food services department.

The value of the Kurt and Elsa Leidecker Estate, valued at \$200,000 and also announced by the foundation.

Six Months After Racial Incidents, Anderson Appoints 18 To Committee

By Mary Willis
Bulletin Staff Writer

The newly established Council on Community Values and Behavioral Expectations will include an openly gay professor, a student who received death threats and will be chaired by the director of the Multicultural Center. The 18-member committee will have \$10,000 to improve the campus' attitudes about individual differences.

Marjorie Poyck, executive assistant to the president of the college William Anderson, said that the objectives of the committee include establishing educational programs on individual differences and enhancing the recruitment and retention of minority students.

The formation of the council by President Anderson was prompted by two racial incidents which occurred in November. A racial slur was painted on the elevator of Jefferson Hall and three freshmen African-American students received death threats in Bushnell Hall. The incidents were brought to campus attention in a campus wide rally against racism.

The mission statement of the council, which will be chaired by Forrest Parker, director of the Multicultural

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-Marjorie Poyck, assistant to the president

Center, and composed of faculty, staff and student representatives, states that the goals of the committee include "respect for individual differences" and "recognition of each individual's right to freedom of speech and open intellectual inquiry in the pursuit of truth."

According to Poyck, at the February faculty meeting Anderson requested volunteers or nominations of six faculty, staff and students to make up the council. Anderson also sent letters to all students who had expressed interest in joining the council.

Poyck said that although several people volunteered or were nominated by their peers, the council's members were chosen based on their race and gender background as well as a sincere interest in the project.

"We tried to get a good mix of several factions of the college community, especially minorities," she said.

The six faculty members on the council are Mehdi Aminrazavi, assistant professor of religion; Rosemary Barra, associate professor of biology; Lewis Fickett, professor of political science; Brown Morton, associate professor of historic preservation; Venitta McCall, senior lecturer in education; and Donald Rallis, assistant professor of geography.

Rallis, who is openly gay, said he volunteered for the position on the council because he felt that the statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations should not be limited to issues of race.

"I believe it's important to have representatives of different sexual orientation on the council, too," said Rallis.

Staff members of the council are Carolyn Jones, fiscal assistant in payroll; Greg Perry, police lieutenant; David White, admissions; Cedric Rucker, associate dean for student activities; Roy Weinstock, associate vice president for academic affairs; and Joni Wood, landscape supervisor.

Wood said that she hopes that the committee will be able

to meet its goals.

"We have been talking about these issues, but nothing ever gets done. I'm looking forward to making a change," she said.

Joanne Beck, dean of students; Martin Wilder, dean of admissions and financial aid; and Chairperson of the Council Forrest Parker selected six student members of the committee from those who applied for the positions. Freshman Kong Chhour, freshman Faith Christmas, junior Fred Jerman, sophomore Monica Gomez, sophomore Kendra Williams and sophomore Linh Lam will serve as student members of the council through 1996.

Christmas, one of three African-American students who received death threats in Bushnell Hall in November, said she wants the Mary Washington College campus to have a better understanding of individual differences.

"Difference is not necessarily wrong. Difference is good," she said.

Parker said he sees his role as a challenge but also a tremendous honor.

"The Community Values Statement and the formation of the council represents a crossroads at the college. I'm really looking forward to it," Parker said.

By George Chase
Bulletin Staff Writer

Fickett Finally Wins Battle For Free Texts In Public Schools

Lewis Fickett, distinguished professor of political science, has finally received his reward for 10 years of hard work in the state legislature. Governor L. Douglas Wilder signed a bill last week that will give Virginia's public school students free textbooks, an idea that Fickett had been fighting for since 1974.

Fickett, who served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1973 to 1982, said he first discovered the problem when he began teaching at Mary Washington College and student-teachers told him that many of the kids in their classes did not have textbooks.

"In 1974, I got interested in this because in the 30's we got free textbooks and I was incredulous to dis-

cover that kids here did not," said Fickett, who grew up in Maine.

"Free textbooks are an essential part of public education, just like teachers and schoolrooms," Fickett said.

In Virginia, each county decides whether or not it wants to provide textbooks free of charge. Students in a county with a high average income are more likely to receive free textbooks.

Because of this many students in rural areas with poor citizens are required to pay for their own books.

"This puts a great burden on the working poor [to purchase textbooks]

and unfortunately it has some racial overtones," said Fickett, who said he believes that many black kids in rural areas do not receive free textbooks.

"There was some resistance in the House (of Delegates) from members who had too much pride. They felt that since they could afford textbooks kids now should be able to do the same," Fickett said.

A pilot program, led by Fickett, was initiated in Virginia in 1980 to give students in kindergarten through third grade free textbooks. According to Fickett, this program never got off the ground because of budget cuts during the recession of

the early 80's.

"Governor Rob, though he did a lot of good things for education, cut out the program," said Fickett.

Fickett left the House in 1982 and the program did not pick up steam again until recently. Delegate Karen Warner, D-Arlington County, has succeeded in getting the bill signed which said that starting in the fall of 1994, students will no longer have to buy their textbooks.

Fickett said he was pleased with Darnier's work.

"The key to this is having a strong advocate like Karen, someone who's willing to make the effort," Fickett said.

This program will cost \$40 million but the amount of money which will come from both the state and the individual counties will be determined next year.

The bill comes at a time when Americans are becoming worried about the quality of the nation's schools. Fickett said he feels that the Virginia legislation is becoming increasingly progressive.

"Since the Wilder election, Virginia government seems to have a whole new climate," Fickett said.

Fickett also cited President Clinton and the large Virginia defense budget as big reasons for the change in outlook towards the program.

Even though Fickett has been out of the legislature for over ten years, he said he is very satisfied with the signing of the bill.

"You realize that you cannot do all the things you'd like to do, but this was my thing and I am very pleased that it was signed," Fickett said.



Lewis Fickett

Career Office Computer Program Widens Graduates' Job Possibilities

By Sarah Cox
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Office of Career Services has a new alternative for helping students find jobs.

Career Search, a new computer program, contains more than 200,000 American companies that can be accessed to assist students to identify companies that they may want to work for.

Renee Everingham, assistant dean for career services, said, "It would take hours upon hours of going through books to find the same information that Career Search can find in a few minutes."

Everingham said one of the biggest advantages to career search is that it can give addresses, phone numbers and contact names at specific companies and that these contact names can come from the specific department of the company the student is interested in.

"You can get a more specific name than the president of the company," she said.

Students must be focused on what kind of work they are interested in to be able to use Career Search, according to Everingham.

"This is not a program to help you decide what kind of job you're interested in, but to find out where that job might be once you've decided," she said.

Career Search can provide a brief description of the company's business activity and in its annual sales, in some cases. The program, however, does not list job openings at the identified companies.

A few examples of the industry subgroups offered in Career Search include advertising, public relations, banks, universities, consultants, hospitals, hotels, insurance, manufacturing, oil, real estate, restaurants, retail

and security firms.

Students can pinpoint the size company they are interested in working for by setting a minimum from 10 to 5,000 employees and a maximum from 25 to 5,000.

Everingham said another advantage is that Career Search helps students focus on smaller companies that they might not hear of otherwise.

"It's these smaller companies that are hiring where many larger companies today are downsizing or remaining stable," she said.

For students interested in locating a company by specific geographical area, Career Search lets the student choose a state, narrow down subgroups within that state and can locate companies within a designated number of miles from the zip code of the student's choice.

Everingham said that Career Search is user friendly.

"It's just extremely important to read all instructions carefully before you begin," she said.

Data for Career Search comes from CorpTech, the leading publisher of high technology directories, which is updated monthly. Everingham said that many of the high technology companies in Career Search have numerous departments that offer a variety of positions. At this time, Career Search does not include law firms, public accounting firms or non-profit organizations. However, directories for many of these organizations are available in the Career Services Resource Center.

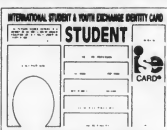
The program at MWC was paid for by fund raising from the Parent's Council, a group of about 50 people, 75 percent of which are parents of MWC students.

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Spring has sprung. Shed the shirts. Topless volleyball players and some others enjoy the warm weather.



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Kudos To The Most Active Year Since 1968

Again the *Bullet* wants to applaud the students at Mary Washington College. This year students have banded together to fight the image of an apathetic student body. They are finally joining together as one body to battle the rules, regulations and policies imposed upon them by the City of Fredericksburg as well as the administration.

Last fall, students successfully fought the City of Fredericksburg in registering to vote. In December, most of the campus came together to stamp out racism after the death threats to three freshman women.

Last Thursday, more than 100 students gathered together to protest a more local, but nevertheless important problems in the lives of students.

Not since the late 1960s, when the students marched to President Woodard's office demanding the end of racial discrimination (allegedly MWC was so offensive that Pat Nixon would not even come to Fredericksburg for a visit) that MWC has seen such activism.

Last week, students chanted, marched and held banners proclaiming their rights as young adults to choose who stays in their room and



Although called apathetic, this year more MWC students than ever have fought for various causes.



what hours their friends can be there. They protested the dictatorial manner in which changes in the existing visitation policy were presented, as well as the lack of recognition by the administration of the students as adults—adults able to make their own decisions about their lives and lifestyles.

Another smaller movement is quietly brewing among supporters of the dance department who are distributing flyers, handing out green ribbons and putting up posters to make students, faculty, administrators and community residents aware of the threat of taking away the major. They urge students to write letters and wear their ribbons on April 15, 16 and 17 when the Board of Visitors are here deciding what action they will take regarding the department.

Since Wo-Man protests and peace marches against the war in the Persian Gulf, students have slowly been waking up and realizing that they need to take a stand on issues or their rights will be diminished even further.

We hope to see more students come out to support their rights and maybe someday they'll support larger causes. Maybe even one that doesn't directly affect them.

A.H., A.F.

Letters to the Editor

College Too Smart To Play By Rules

Chris Wright's letter in the April 6 *Bullet* advocating Ignoring the Campus Visitation Policy Day brought back some memories from my undergraduate days.

In the late 60s, William and Mary had a visitation policy far more restrictive than anything that could be imagined here. We had visitation—from 4-7 p.m. on four Saturdays during the year. Our student leaders conceived of a plan similar to the one Chris describes. On a Saturday night everyone was urged to visit the dorm room of a friend of the opposite sex. The administration would look so foolish suspending everyone, so the theory went, that the visitation policy would fall of its own weight.

Unfortunately, the administration was just one step ahead of us. On the fateful Saturday night, the dean of students toured the campus, selecting ten rooms at random. Those ten students were summarily suspended. In response to this action, the student body was forced to engage in weeks of demonstrations, meetings and other forms of protest. Ultimately, the suspensions were overturned, but the administration had achieved its goal. There was no further agitation for a change in visitation policy for quite a while.

The lesson I draw from this is: Don't expect your opponents to play by the rules. They're probably too smart for that.

Robert S. Rycroft
Professor of Economics

Changes In Visitation Policy Come Under Fire

The following are the remainder of the letters received in response to the proposed change of the current visitation policy.

I would like to respond to the article in the *Bullet* on banning same-sex visitation during the week. While I honestly don't believe that the students will pass such a notion, I feel that I should address some of the reasons given for presenting the option.

For one thing, the present visitation policy does not "cater" to homosexuals. Many homosexuals at this school are not "out" to their

friends, or to anyone, and therefore frequent overnight stays by their partners is absurd. But, for those of you who refuse to listen to that simple fact, let me argue this point: if overnight visitation is banned, the ones who will be affected most are homosexuals. There are not as many homosexuals on this campus as people "fear," therefore by implementing this ban, the majority of students will be upset. Lovers will not be allowed to stay overnight, but neither will siblings or best friends or anyone.

Also, Dean Beck is so considerate as to be concerned with unassertive students. With the possible exception of freshmen, students are able to pick their roommates, and they usually room with friends. If you cannot tell your friend when something is bothering you, then you don't have much of a friendship. As for the freshmen, there are RAs who can help to solve many conflicts between roommates.

The homosexuality bias is geared to make people upset over the present policy, but students here are much too intelligent to fall for this. Dean Beck would not sign a 24/7 visitation policy. So now, to make things equal, this ban is being offered. If students are so worried about the inequality of the present policy, the only way to fix this is to implement the 24/7 plan. Otherwise, nobody wins in the situation. No one will have overnight visitation. Don't be fooled by the muddying of the waters with the homosexual issue; you will be the one most affected by this ban.

Andi Farris, '93

It has recently come to everyone's attention that the administration is proposing a new visitation policy which will curtail overnight same-sex visitation in residence halls Sunday to Thursday. There were two reasons cited for the change. First, they believe that the existing policy gives unfair visitation privileges to homosexuals. Second, they feel it necessary to protect "unassertive" students from their roommates. This would require a permission slip from one's roommate before allowing overnight guests.

To ensure that homosexuals do not have visitation advantages, homosexuals and their lovers could not reside in the same room or

dorm, because this is also unfair to those heterosexual students who cannot choose a room together or who do not live in the same dorm and therefore do not have the benefit of intra-hall visitation.

Many same-sex (and opposite sex) visitors may not be staying overnight for sex, which seems to be the assumption of the administration. What they fail to realize is that most students are not sex-crazed party animals that should be constantly controlled. Some have overnight visitors in order to study, as there are study areas provided in the dorms. Trinkle? Some would rather study in their dorm and not with people constantly moving, whispering, giggling, etc. Not every same-sex visitor is gay and checking in to sleep in their lover's room.

Unassertive roommates? Even the most unassertive person will say no to an unreasonable request. Presently, one must consider roommate's feelings to have overnight guests at any time. There are measures that can be taken under existing policies if the roommate is unhappy with the situation.

The students are ADULTS. It should not be up to anyone except for the residential student body to decide upon visitation regulations. The students are intelligent adults capable of making their own decisions. To think differently shows that the administration's goal is not to further the maturation of the student, but to control them. This is not a gay issue or an attempt to help the "unassertive" student, it's an attempt to see how much control the administration can have on the students as a whole.

Gabrielle Ayres, '93

Had I not graduated from MWC, nor served in the S.A. Senate, nor been a member of the Association of Residence Halls, nor fought for two years over "wo-man," I suppose I would have thought Kendra Williams' article in the 30 March 1993 *Bullet* on banning same-sex overnight visitation to have been an April Fool's prank.

Instead of laughing, I am beside myself with indignation to which 350 words cannot give justice. While heterosexuals enjoy so much freedom, homosexuals are structurally and legally disadvantaged in America to an extent that any homosexual advantage is like

finding a glass of ice water while trekking the Sahara, and concern over heterosexual discrimination is like bringing an umbrella along to stay dry.

Heterosexual privilege is so pervasive and lavish in America that it disappears as part of the basic structure of society as opposed to the monument of hypocrisy which it is. Homosexuals must not only struggle for their basic rights, but for cultural legitimacy as well, as shown by the outburst of bigotry and hate during the GLBSA's "Gay Awareness Week" in 1991.

Under these conditions, hunting out structural discrimination against heterosexuals is a waste of resources only slightly less profound than the government paying \$5,000 or so for a hammer.

As a former senator and having my own experience in lobbying the administration, I know that there are more urgent issues which need attention and that there is more than one way to improve visitation

rights for all students at MWC.
Marc Bronsdon, '92

I feel compelled to voice my disapproval of what I believe is a gross misuse of our administration's time, and ultimately our tuition and tax dollars. "College May Ban Same-Sex Overnight Visitation In Dorms, Citing Unfair Homosexual Privileges," declares the *Bullet* headline. Homosexual privileges—this sounds like an oxymoron to me and is quite another issue amidst this largely homophobic campus and society. But where, I'm addressing, is the MWC administration planning to take this proposed policy?

If same-sex visitation was eliminated Sunday through Thursday nights, who's to say that homosexual students still would not have the "upper hand" in residence halls with co-ed arrangements such as most of the upper-class dorms' present situations. And what would this policy accomplish? Dean Beck

and posse seem to think that through policy proposals such as this and rejection of a 24/7 visitation policy (even a trial period of a 24/7 policy) they are protecting non-assertive students who do not voice opposition to their roommate's overnight guests.

To begin with, why do these non-assertive students need protection? We are all adults here. We face problems, we deal with them, and then we live with the consequences and learn from it. It's called life. I don't believe the Residence Life staff or anyone else from the MWC administration is going to give me a permission slip to sign when my roommate brings home a lesbian lover or two on a Tuesday night out in the "real world."

Second, what is MWC protecting—our study habits, our non-assertive students, or an image? I believe it's an image they package and sell to prospective freshmen and their parents, as they continue

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Dean Beck Involved In Communist Plot, Students Relive Hippie Days

By Paul Sargent,
Adam Fike,
Jeremy Cline
Columnists

Here's a little something we dug up, we're not discussing where or how this document was acquired, but we felt it was the people's right to know.

Dear Joanne,

We here in Havana are extremely concerned. You know it has been your mission since birth to assimilate yourself to American culture, rise to a position of prominence, and aid our people in an overthrow and control of the capitalist American establishment. When we chose you for this important mission, we thought you were the perfect agent. As it turns out, you cannot even assert your power over 3,500 impressionable American swine attending an obscure liberal arts college. By now lesser agents have converted larger campuses to communism and you can't even enforce a simple visitation policy. For our purposes, everyone must assimilate and obey. So far, you have accomplished neither. I hope I do not have to resort to sending in specialists to aid you. Good luck and remember the words of Mao when he said, "Better to keep children in darkness than to let them know how much they are paying you!"

All my love,
Fidel

P.S. I hope you enjoy the cigars, I know they're your favorite.

Well, now the truth is finally known. We had always assumed that there was some underlying plot that would make sense of this whole mess and now we are beginning to understand. There is, however, hope. This week the senate

voted in approval of 24-7 visitation. We'd like to take credit for this being our idea first, (see last week's *Bulletin*) but, it probably wasn't. All that is required now is the "Bored" of Visitor's approval. This has about a snowball's chance in hell. It is obvious that their don't care about how residents of this college feel. They're not residents, they're visitors. It seems to us that last time we checked, we lived in a democracy, in which the majority rules. This means that our elected representatives should be the ones making the policy since they are the ones into whose hands we placed our confidence.

Dean Beck, however, doesn't agree with democracy. Like the rest of the administration, she feels that we are not mature enough to face up to the consequences of our actions. We elected the senate to make our decisions for us. We may have been drunk and missed it, but we don't recall any elections for the "Bored." If you ask us, Dean Beck is doing more than Mr. Castro thinks to convert us to the ways of oppressive Communism. Fight the power!

Well, Easter has come and gone. What the resurrection of Christ has to do with speckled eggs and an overgrown bunny remains to be seen. But that's just how the holidays go. We like it that way. It doesn't make any sense, but dying eggs gives you a good excuse to take off those stifling Sunday clothes. We have some ideas for other Easter activities that may make your next Easter even jollier.

1. A Beaster Egg Hunt: Simply hide beers everywhere imaginable and when found, the inevitable must happen. The colors are somewhat limited, they only come in blue and red, but by the end of the fun you won't notice anyway. It's sort of like when the first Model-T Fords came off the line and the company's motto was "You can have any color you want, as long as it's black." (the credit for this is given to the guys of Russell 3rd North. Hope you had a good time, boys.)
2. Smoke the plastic Easter basket grass. Almost as fun as the real thing.
3. Audition to be the Cadbury Bunny. It's a barrel o' laughs.
4. Smuggle a bunny into your dorm and name him "Duff" after the beer on the *Simpsons*. We know this idea lacks feasibility, but it can be done.

Around 4:30 on Friday morning, we were just hanging around and decided to see who would show up for this 24-7 protest on Ball Circle. Ok, we will be the first to admit that we were wrong about only 17 people showing up for this thing. There were at least twenty five.

All in all, it was a hoot. Protests are not supposed to be hoots, which goes to prove that people around here make lousy hippies.

We especially liked when Snuffy and his guitar playing friend from out of town, Travis, played "Thursday Bloody Thursday," which we are pretty sure they wrote themselves. The folk version of Public Enemy's "Bring the Noise" was good too, proving the legend that was "Herman's Hermits" isn't dead (Henry the eighth I am I...). What a hoot; which continues our point.

The guitars were right for the protest, and Tina Vanpuymbroek (WHAT A NAME!!) even brought incense. Nice touch, Tina. But something was missing, something like, oh, anybody of authority that might be in some position to ratify this thing.

The police weren't even really getting into it. Sergeant Lee Collings (who we talked to and is a very nice lady) hid in the bushes nearby. When somebody set off fire crackers she didn't even bother firing into the crowd.

It was an okay time over all. Some people frolicked in Ball Circle while Snuffy and his friend (who reminds us somehow of the guy from the "Clockwork Orange") strummed a Madonna song. Jeremy got all excited and suggested some high spirited looking while Paul tried to get the crowd into saying "Tastes Great, Less Filling!" Instead of "24-7" Some guy even offered to take off his clothes and run around.

After the group primal scream, the planned agenda evidently was pretty much played out, so Chris Wright, the protest organizer, asked everybody what they wanted to do next and Brian Hollingsworth led a "24-7" conga line down campus walk. Then we all went dorm to dorm and signed in.

After that everybody pretty much left. Hoot. That's what happened, we are sure that at least some of the 3470 people that didn't show up would like to know that a good time was had by all. Even though we didn't stir up the fervor of those hippie dippy days of the past. Like the time when this was a girls' school and a Frederickburg visit by Pat Nixon was averted by what the papers called a possible threat from near by MWC. But maybe that was a hoot too.

Well, shed a tear because our next-to-last column is now complete. Next week is your last week to write us if you expect a response, so get off your butts and write us at box 1961. Until next week "Fight the Power!" (Help us. We are being held hostage in the *Bulletin* office. Call campus police, call a Wackenhut, call a real cop, call anybody, just get us some help!)

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LETTERS

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to do to all of us, and it advertises what's supposed to happen to a student at MWC. Basically, it's a package of the knowledge we'll gain in the classroom, the college "experience" outside of the classroom which will "round out" our education, and the exposure to new value systems that will broaden our horizons and teach us tolerance and acceptance. I feel that MWC offers me many things, for the most part, I've enjoyed my experiences here, but preparing me for reality, I cannot credit to this school. If anything, they postpone reality with this image of a safe, egalitarian environment that they maintain through lots of lip-service, posted announcements of community values and expectations, and a largely apathetic student body.

After three years here, it's clearly evident to me that the majority of MWC's policies (and lack of policies) reflect it's fear of diversity and change. For example, how long did it take to get approval for Cedric Rucker's Ethnic Studies class? Why was it even controversial at a college that exclaims, "Mary Washington College-the world is our campus." And why can a college with approximately 65 per cent women not find a way to offer adequate self-defense classes?

What then, would students do with members of the opposite sex in their room if a 24/7 policy was in effect? The same thing homosexual students are now doing Sunday through Thursday nights—sex, sex, sex! Sometimes yes, sometimes no. Is it really anybody's business except the partners and maybe their respective roommate(s) who has been asked to leave? Let them deal with it, administration, you have more important things to worry about.

Let's see now, eight rapes and nine assaults reported in 1992, up from one rape in 1990 and zero rapes reported in 1991, as reported by the *Bulletin* in the 3/30/93 issue. Death threats to our black students only a few months ago but far away from today's headlines. This is a far cry from the cherished image of MWC. And so as society's prejudice and conflicts pop up amidst our largely homogeneous "community," here at MWC, the administration often reacts by locking us out or worse yet, ignoring the issues altogether. What a growing experience college can be!

Yep, homosexuals have one up on

the rest of us in this case. But I implore my fellow students, vote down this ridiculous proposal if and when it comes before the student body. Don't let the B.O.V. and the administration dictate any more prohibitions to an increasingly channelled and limited college experience.

Ronna L. Winn, '94

The article entitled "College May Ban Same-Sex Overnight Visitation In Dorms" in the March 30 edition of the *Bulletin* has caused me great concern. According to the article the newly formed visitation subcommittee feels that the existing visitation policy is unfair. They feel that the policy discriminates against heterosexuals as it allows homosexual lovers to stay in each other's rooms seven days a week. As a result of this Dean Beck wishes to ban 24 hour same-sex visitation in the dorms except for Friday and Saturday nights.

During the past year the college has taken a number of privileges away from the students. One of these was the elimination of alcoholic beverages at school-supported activities. Another involved the changes in the policies governing parking which essentially took away most of the upperclassmen's parking privileges. Both of these events resulted in student protest and outrage even though the administration had valid reasons for these decisions.

In this case, however, the excuse that the administration is using to explain the proposed changes in the visitation policy is totally ludicrous. Though it is true that the current visitation policy allows homosexuals to visit each other 24 hours, seven days a week, they could also simply room together. Does that mean that the current room selection policy discriminates against heterosexuals? Furthermore, does the fact that homosexuals can live on the same floor or in the same unit of a residence hall with men and women mean that the very floor plans of the residence halls discriminate against heterosexuals? Obviously, such logic is flawed.

Apparently, this is all an excuse that the administration is trying to use to cover the fact that they are taking even more of the student's rights away. Furthermore, the fact that they hope to placate the students by allowing a student to have visitors if they have a "permission slip" signed by their roommate and by their RA or HR

illustrates the administration's view of the students, most of whom are legal adults, are viewed as unintelligent children who can't make a responsible decision about who they they can have stay in their rooms at night. This is especially interesting since the school prides itself on its students' academic achievements. It's amazing that MWC students are among the most intelligent in the nation but aren't even given credit enough by the administration to decide who they want to visit.

It is this attitude towards the students that causes the greatest distress. Even though I personally am a graduating senior I am afraid for the rights of my friends who are sophomores and juniors and who plan to graduate from Mary Washington. If the college administrators view the students in such a dim light, what other rights will they try to take away once I leave? This is especially true if the administration is able to get this visitation policy approved. After all, if they can take away 24 hour same-sex visitation with such as flimsy excuse what is to stop them from limiting visitation even further? Or, for that matter, from limiting other student rights?

It seems that the administration has forgotten the fact that the students are MWC's greatest resource. What would happen to this college if its students and alumni began to tell people interested in coming here about the way that the MWC students are treated? Even though applications to the school are up, I'm sure that this number would drop if the applicants were told of the condescending way that the college's administration views the students and their rights. Furthermore, doesn't the college alumni provide necessary funding? Apparently, the administration forgot to consider the facts before they decided to try and take away the rights of the students. I personally know of a large number of graduating seniors who are so angry at the manner in which they were treated by the college administration that they do not plan to donate a cent to this school. That is not now, or ever. Perhaps the administration should wise up and realize that the students are important and that these ignorant children can hurt them where it hurts them the worst, in the college's wallet.

John R. McDonald, Jr., '93

New Diversity Group Deals With Prejudices

Diversity Awareness
Committee

The Diversity Awareness Committee was formed last semester in order to encourage Mary Washington students to have a greater understanding and appreciation of people with different backgrounds. The mission statement says, "The purpose of the Diversity Awareness Committee is to raise awareness and to foster ac-

ceptance of difference within our community through both education programs and exhibits."

This committee is chaired by Leigh Guthrie, the assistant dean of Russell Hall and Jennifer Brown, the student chair. So far, the group has put out fliers on Seabecque tables and in dorms on the subject of diversity. We are in the process of getting resources together which will be available for RAs and other groups to get ideas for programs on diversity.

For students that have problems with

discrimination, the committee has put out an incident reporting form which can be found at the information table at Woodard Campus Center and across from the Multicultural Center. All names will be kept confidential.

The committee meets every other Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the ballroom in Lee Hall. If anyone is interested in joining the Diversity Awareness Committee, please contact Leigh Guthrie in the Residence Life Office at X4674.



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Musicals And Football: Relics Of High School

By Alicia Bartol
Bulletin Staff Writer

As spring arrives and the school year comes to a close, many Mary Washington performing arts students think back on the days when the magic of musicals enchanted us all.

The magic of musicals is missing at MWC, not due to lack of interest, but to lack of resources such as time, space and money, according to several students.

"When you do something, like a musical, you want to be proud of it," said Michael Joyce, assistant professor and chair of the department of dramatic arts. "I really like musicals, but I cringe at poorly done musicals. It takes a lot of time," he said.

The production of a musical would require major time commitments from

hundreds of people including actor and actresses, musical and dramatic directors, lighting and sound technicians, costume and set designers, choreographers and musicians.

"We can't take the way we do things now and fit in a musical—it's impossible," said Stephen J. Burton, choral director and assistant professor of music.

"One of the concerns would be the small number of students and time needed to be devoted. You might cause friction between things they do normally by having to add extra rehearsals into busy schedules," Bur-

ton said. Junior Ashley Herron, who sings in both MWC Women's Chorus and a student-run a cappella group said most students are very busy.

"To find someone with a thousand hours of time on their hands might be a bit of a problem," Herron said.

Many students, including Herron, said that the time commitment would

be worth it though. "I just think it's a lot of fun," said sophomore Heidi Ashton, who prefers backstage work.

"The finished product really gives

you a sense of accomplishment," Ashton said.

Freshman Tim Allison, recent cast member of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" who is in three MWC choirs said, "I think it would be a great thing. When I was in high school, all of the departments worked together—drama, music, art—to create a top-notch show."

The last musical which involved both the music and drama departments was "Little Shop of Horrors," four years ago.

Ashton said, "I think the college catalogue is misleading, because they have a picture a production of 'Little Shop of Horrors.' That's one of the reasons my roommate came here, because she thought they did musicals and that was a very important part of her high school life."



Photo Alicia Bartol

Audrey II ends up in the trash heap outside duPont.

Burton said, "It's something students miss here when they come from high school, but so is the football team. Given the present schedule of the music department, there's no way, nor a place."

Both Burton and Joyce agree that the stage of Klein Theater is much

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Academic Exposure

Students Present Papers At Conference In West Indies

By Jill Golden
Bulletin Features Editor

As the only undergraduates participating in the 19-year history of the African Literature Association conference, three Mary Washington students are excited and nervous about presenting their papers to experts on African literature from around the world.

Senior Jason Caddell, and juniors Scooter Wooldridge and Christina Avery, have taken numerous African literature courses from Tadesse Adera, assistant professor of English. Through independent studies, the three students re-

searched and wrote a paper on famine and politics in African novels for their panel at the conference. "It's going to be interesting because we're presenting to a field of professionals and scholars, people who have made African literature their life, their livelihood, who study African literature everyday," said Caddell. "I've had 12 credit hours of African literature versus the lifetimes these people have spent studying it. So I'm quite intimidated by the entire thing."

Caddell said he examined the effects of famine and politics in Ousmane Seme's "God's Bites Of Wood," a novel based on a railroad strike that occurred in Dakar, Senegal in the late 1940s.

Avery, who explored the symbolism of famine in "Petals of Blood" by Ngugi Wa Thiong'o, said she is not only nervous about speaking at the conference, but also because there is a possibility the author whose work she researched will be there.

"I think he is one of the greatest authors. It would be such a great honor to meet him, but I really don't think I want him sitting in on my conference," Avery said.

Wooldridge, who examined the ties between the people and the land in Jamal Mahabub's "Navigation Of A Rain Maker," said he hopes to learn how conferences work, to prepare himself for graduate school and his goal of becoming a professor.

"It's like an initiation to the academic world," Wooldridge said. "I don't know what to expect, but I hope the people take us seriously."

The fact that the students have spent a comparatively small amount of time studying African literature does not mean their work is any less valid or important, said Adera.

"That doesn't mean their papers, their work in general, they worked so hard, will be less accepted," he said. "The topic is going to be very origi-

nal and very timely especially considering what's going on in many African countries right now, so it's very timely."

Adera said he has confidence in the students and the work that they have done to prepare their papers for the conference. He said he anticipates that the students' work will be accepted and well-received. Adera said he felt the students worked hard on their papers, and the panel on famine and politics is timely.

The students chose their books and topics and presented their ideas to Adera last fall. After working independently from class with Adera's

help, the students then submitted their papers to the association and were invited to travel to Guadeloupe, West Indies to the conference April 16 to 22.

According to Wooldridge, the novel is a fairly new art form for the Africans. "They are using the tools of empiricism," he said. "The people

need to find their own identity while moving into the modern world and still embracing their traditions."

Avery said that "Petals of Blood" is the pivotal novel where Ngugi Wa Thiong'o starts to use Kenyan terms and not offer a translation.

"The language question is a big deal with African literature right now," she said. "The novels previous to ['Petals of Blood'] he wrote in English. If [African writers] want the people to read the book and act, like Ngugi does in 'Petals of Blood,' they're more apt to write it in their language."

Avery said that African writers tend to write in English to express their views to the Western readers about what is happening to the African people. She said she hopes that the authors will write in their own language and then offer a translation.

One problem Westerners have in reading African literature is that they are inclined to judge and compare it to Western literature, said Caddell.

"One thing Dr. Adera has repeatedly stressed is that African literature is not to be compared to Western literature," Caddell said. "In African literature, the subjects are different, the authors come from a different background entirely, and 'Third World' literature, I think, should be compared to other 'Third World' literature because they're literatures of resistance."

Avery said Western critics focus too much on the stylistic aspects of novels which is not the main concern of African writers. The purpose of

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Above: Underwater shot of fish and coral in the Caribbean Sea taken by Cara Biega. Right: Biega on the beach during her semester at sea.



It Wasn't The Love Boat

By Jennifer Dockery
Bulletin Staff Writer

When the Fredericksburg area was hit by "Blizzard '93" in early March, one Mary Washington student was not complaining about classes being held. Junior Cara Biega was just hoping that her classes would not be interrupted by drifting into Cuba. Her classes were held on the Westward, a 125-ft. research vessel, in the Caribbean Sea. The strong winds of the storm forced the crew to stop sailing for a few days because they were drifting towards Cuba.

Biega, an environmental science major, spent six weeks living on the Westward with 23 other students studying oceanography with

the Sea Education Association out of Wood's Hole, Mass. Beginning on Dec. 28, the group spent six weeks in Wood's Hole taking three intensive courses—oceanography, maritime studies and nautical science. Then they set out on the boat for the second half of their adventure.

"I had only sailed a sunfish before, which is pretty pathetic in comparison to trying to sail a 125-ft. boat," said Biega. "They spent the first two weeks teaching us a lot of basic skills such as lines and knots."

Not only did they have to learn a lot about sailing a boat, they also had to learn a lot about living on a boat.

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Rude Awakening For Students At Martinet Wanton College

Perspective

By Brian Hollingsworth

Seeking a degree in dance, and not knowing of the administration's plans to do away with your major, you transfer to Martinet Wanton College (mistake #1), and you choose to live on campus (mistake #2). What's more you invite several of your (same sex) friends for an all-night party in your room (mistake #3).

It is a weekday, and promptly at 4:30 a.m. and in one second your door is kicked in by the Visitation Police (VPs), who despite the fact that you are old enough to fight and die for freedom, arrest you for breaking visitation. It becomes very obvious to you that you are not truly free. Not in America, or at least not in MWC's America.

Ruthlessly you are taken to the Residence Life office and forced to see the Deans. The Deans' office consists only of a sterile-looking desk, and a brown leather chair located in the corner. Behind the desk sit two menacingly conservative figures.

"Come in," they say. "Have a seat in the comfy chair." You faller, so viciously a VP grabs you and hurls you into the recliner. Immediately, the deans attack. With their contorted faces and wildly gesturing fists they demand to know why in God's name you think you can break their visitation policy.

Stunned you protest that at your old school you could have your friends over anytime you wanted. You were, after all, in college and an adult.

"Insolent fool," they cry. "This is not your old school. We make the policies here."

You say, "Just because you're in power doesn't mean I should obey you. Might does not make right."

"That's what you think," they chuckle.

"Look," you reason, "I can vote to

decide who runs our national government. If they trust me to make such important decisions, why can't you? What ever happened to 'life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness?' I mean the freedom to chose when and where I'll see someone is a basic human right and you're trying to take it away."

"This isn't the national government, this is MWC, and we have our own constitution here!" they shout.

Your head is spinning from the stupidity of it all, and you wonder what year it is.

anyway. Have you been teleported back to 1984?

Sheepishly you ask, "What's the problem? My friends are the same sex as me."

"Maybe you're a faggot!" they retort. "Is that it? Are you a

homosexual?" They ask "No, but does it really matter?" you ask.

"Of course it does! Homosexuals don't help admissions," they respond. Ah, you think, that finally explains why the GLBSA does not appear in the admissions propaganda sent to prospective students.

"Furthermore," they add, "the old policy gave homosexuals unfair privileges. They could have their lovers over 24/7 while all the 'straight' people could only see their mates and have sex on the weekends and on the weekdays until 4:30 a.m. (the magical hour which, like Cinderella, we must disappear or have our carsturned into pumpkins, which wouldn't be such a loss considering the current parking situation). This inequality could not continue to exist."

"So instead of giving more rights to the population at large you decided to limit everyone's rights and freedoms," you say. "It's like you're trying to place an Iron Curtain around

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"The program is about cooperation and community living, and some people find that hard to deal with," said Biega, who said that the group got along extremely well for the most part.

The students were divided into three groups, called watches, and they were completely responsible for everything from sailing the boat to cooking the meals, while also concentrating on an individual research project.

There was a captain and three mates to help the students with the sailing, and a steward to help one student prepare each meal. Biega said that her least favorite time of the trip was spent in the kitchen.

"The steward helped each student cook, which I definitely needed a lot of. I couldn't even eat what I cooked. Cooking on a rocking boat was a little difficult. I burnt myself making Jello. I wasn't a real big hit in the kitchen," she laughed.

Showering also posed a problem for the students. Fresh water had to be rationed so that it could last the entire six weeks, so salt water showers became a way of life for them.

"We all had to wash our hair with lemon-fresh jelly because it is practically the only thing that will lather up in salt water," she said. "We had fresh water rinses occasionally, and port showers were really exciting."

They only stopped in port twice during the entire six weeks, for three days in Cartagena, Colombia, and for a week in the Grand Cayman Islands. Biega said that the three days in Colombia were "the highlight of the trip," but she couldn't decide the reason.

"I don't know which was the bigger highlight, the 75-cent beers, or just simply being on land," she said, and added that, in Colombia, the students were allowed to go onshore whenever they were not on watch.

The three watches rotated so that there was always a group on duty. On average, the group would spend four

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-Cara Biega, junior

hours on watch at night, and six hours during the day. She said that if her group was on watch until 3 a.m., they would then have to be back on duty at 1 p.m., after a brief sleep in beds that she compared to coffins.

"When you were on watch, there were three people on deck doing all the sail work and steering the boat. Another three people would be in the lab, and one person would be responsible for the engine room, and the last person would be in the kitchen," said Biega.

Biega, of Glastonbury, Conn., first became interested in the program last summer while working in Wood's Hole at the Marine Biological Laboratory coordinating environmental programs for the scientists' children. A co-worker had just completed the program on the association's other ship, the *Crane*.

"It's such a challenging program which is why I wanted to do it. I also wanted to do something different," said Biega.

During her stay in Grand Cayman, she saw Gene Hackman filming a scene from "The Firm," and tried on jewelry worth as much as \$20,000 in a posh hotel. In Colombia, she said that she got a lot of attention because of her blond hair.

"Four of us were all walking around, and we were all blond, and it seriously caused a traffic jam," she said.

"Some guy in a bar thought I was Farrah Fawcett and kept trying to dance with me. He had obviously had a lot to drink," she said.

She said that the best part about the semester, which ended on March 21, was the fact that she could actually see the things that she always learned about in classrooms.

"It was so much more real seeing dolphins, seeing whales, getting coral reefs, seeing coral reefs. It wasn't a traditional learning experience, but it was better than any classroom," said Biega.

Not only did the students occasionally get seasick, they also occasionally got very sick of being at sea. Cara said that, at times, it got very

difficult to live on the boat. "It was the hardest thing I've ever done. There was a lot to deal with physically and emotionally. It's really hard because sometimes the weather would be so rough, but sometimes it was so beautiful," she said.

The beautiful weather did not stop the students from pursuing their academics, or getting great tans. Biega, whose tan is quickly fading, finished the program with a twelve-page report on the location of pelagic plastics in the Caribbean.

According to Biega, pelagic plastics are floating plastics in the marine environment. She set out to find out where these plastics are located in the Caribbean, and try to come with a hypothesis about why the plastics are in the ocean.

"I found the majority of plastics were collected in the Sargasso Sea due to the convergence of currents, and also off the Nicaraguan rise," she said.

Biega's project is an ongoing one for S.E.A., and she had 10 years worth of data to which she could compare hers. According to her findings, the concentration of plastics is decreasing in the area. However, counting pieces of plastics was not her only academic endeavor.

"I tried reading 'War and Peace' in my free time, which was not much. I only got to page 240. Reading 'War and Peace' on a rocking boat is not very fun," she said.

She was also exposed to education usually not found in a classroom during her stay in Wood's Hole. Her nautical science focused on such things as celestial navigation and plotting nautical maps. Maritime studies gave her the chance to focus on literature about the sea, by such authors as Jack London and Herman Melville.

Biega said that although most of the students were biology or environmental science majors, there were a few English majors on board too. But they all had their reasons for going.

"I wanted to see something different, both for academic and adventure reasons," she said. "I'm really glad I did it. It changes you, and the way you look at your environment. I feel like I can do anything now that I've been through hell for six weeks. There's so much more out there that I want to do, and now I know that I can do it."

longer. That's exactly why I'm moving off-campus next year, or maybe I'll even transfer," you respond. "We can't let you do that. We need your money to help fund our school modernization program. We're redoing our offices," they explain. "When all of the country learns of your ridiculous policies you have an incoming freshman to help pay the bills, and the school will shut down," you inform them.

And is this why you're doing away with the dance major? You are removing the arts from our "liberal" arts education.

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us from learning about life in the outside world. You have no right to dictate what is and is not acceptable for me to see or take part in! If you really don't want us to have sex or be with our lovers, then logically you must eliminate both dorm visitation and co-ed housing, but homosexuals could live together. Obviously we must have single room housing, but intra-hall visitation would still allow homosexuals to see each other. So visitation of any form must be done away with. Maybe we'd all have to have our own dorms or maybe our own cages. Perhaps in the interest of all, everyone will just have to leave school."

"Are you finished?" they ask coldly. "It's not about sex. There's also the security concern. Do you want people going in and out of the dorm at all hours? Rapists, murderers, pillagers and thieves would be wandering the halls."

You say, "What's the difference between expecting students to adhere to the Honor Code in their dorms and asking that they do the same in the ones they don't live in? Keep sign in, lock the doors at night, and keep desk aides so we'll know what room all the murderers are checking into, but at least give us the option of letting someone come to our room whenever we want. I had more freedom than this at home. I didn't come to boarding school. I am not paying \$1000 a year to have my freedom taken away."

"We're here to protect you. Besides what would happen to all of the unassertive students if we withdrew from the system?" they ask you.

"If the unassertive students don't learn how to be assertive in college, when are they going to learn? Will they finally assert themselves after they are constantly passed up for job promotions because of lack of initiative? No, because the system that you advocate gives them the

luxury of not having to think or work out differences. They can simply look to the administration to make it all better. If their first reaction is to look to others for a solution then they are doomed to a life of failure, and I know you don't want that," you respond.

They say, "No we don't. That is why we offer a 'Liberal' Arts education, to prepare you to succeed in any profession."

"And is this why you're doing away with the dance major? You are removing the arts from our 'liberal' arts education," you ask.

"Hey, we still offer you chances to expand your mind through contact with diverse subject material," they retort.

"Speaking of diversity, why don't you take a more active role in promoting both racial harmony and acceptance of alternative viewpoints?" you ask. "Why do you leave it to the Multicultural Center and concerned students and faculty to address the issues. I find it ironic that the one time we really needed administrative action, there was a severe lack of it. Perhaps you thought that by holding a campus-wide forum and allowing us to express our pent-up emotions and grievances, you could satisfy us; at least until we forget what we were so mad about in the first place."

"We just don't want to change things too quickly," they say. "Any change that we make is going to cause a lot of turbulence, and we want a smooth transition."

"You couldn't change the current policies quick enough. What you want is incrementalism so that you can hold on to power just a little

longer. That's exactly why I'm moving off-campus next year, or maybe I'll even transfer," you respond.

"We can't let you do that. We need your money to help fund our school modernization program. We're redoing our offices," they explain.

"When all of the country learns of your ridiculous policies you have an incoming freshman to help pay the bills, and the school will shut down," you inform them.

"No one will know about our policies. Who's going to tell? Not you. When students come to the school they'll be greeted by smiling faces like Stepford students. When asked how you like the school

you'll say you love it, and what's more you'll believe it. You'll become satisfied and you won't question our judgments!" they exclaim.

"The hell I won't," you scream as you leap from your chair. Instantly the VPs move to restrain you. Silence follows as the Dean scrutinizes you and a file they have sitting in front of them. The Deans faces glow red with hatred and you can only hope that yours does too. Slowly they rise and move closer to you. Your muscles tense up, awaiting the inevitable, but when they speak their voices aren't venomous, in fact they are almost lyrical. They remind you of the mermaids whose beautiful voices lured unwitting sailors to their doom.

You are stunned as they benevolently smile at you and proceed to explain why the current policy is for your own good. They repeat themselves over and over again,

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African literature is to educate and inform and to discuss the experience they are living in African countries. As students have progressed through Adera's classes on African, Caribbean and resistance literature, they realize that the works are different from the European and American literature they are expecting. He said that African literature is not an extension of Western literature.

Adera said students continue to receive his courses with enthusiasm. Each semester he teaches the courses, the classes are full and students ask to be force-added.

"This shows that now people are willing and open-minded and are willing to reach out to what they're not used to," Adera said.

Caddell said, "I have gained more insight from those three classes than from anything else in the English major. That's why I've continued to take them. They have been continually eye-opening for me as a student."

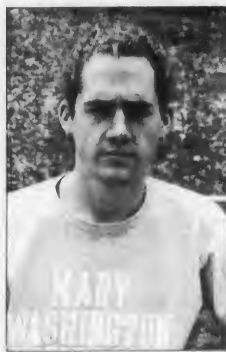
He said, "What I've gained from African literature in particular is a better perspective of ethnic relations in this country. And that goes beyond black and white and Asian and white - just the way people relate to each other and how different economic classes in the United States relate to each other, who holds power and why they hold power."

The students said they feel that including African, Caribbean, and resistance literature in the general education requirements would provide future students with an opportunity to read and learn about literature other than Western literature.

Woodbridge said that while looking at the reading list for the GRE, he noticed that most of the books were Western. He said he feels that most colleges are geared more towards getting students into graduate school than providing students with a broad scope of literature.

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- Jason Caddell, senior English major



In the English major, students are required to take pre-1800 literature courses and linguistic courses. Caddell said he thinks there should also be a "Third World" literature requirement so students can get a full scope of literature in the English language as well as in other languages. Although African literature is not in the canon, Avery said she feels that the works need proper recognition which could be achieved by adding the courses to the general education requirements.

Adera said he thinks universities are beginning to realize the importance and effect of African literature, although more courses in African literature and studies need to be added to the curriculum.

"It's the 1990s and it's about time we realized that. The myth of the dark continent is gone and is dead. The world is getting narrower and narrower each day so what affects our neighbors affects us."

-Taddesse Adera, asst. professor of English

we realized that," he said. "The myth of the dark continent is gone and is dead. The world is getting narrower and narrower each day so what affects our neighbors affects us."

The finances for the trip came from several different sources and Adera said he is grateful for the support the

college gave him in giving the students an opportunity to attend and participate in the conference.

"The support is something I will not forget. There is just tremendous support and the students are of course grateful about this opportunity," said Adera. "They wouldn't have been able to go despite the fact their papers were accepted if the support was not there."

Adera said he plans to continue participating in conferences. He said he has advertised the African Studies Association to be held in Boston this summer to the students in his classes.

Woodbridge said, "[Adera is] trying his best to introduce literature from around the world. The English department gives its support, but it is his sole effort."

Caddell said that though the college boasts its multiculturalism and multithenicism, the administration has overblown its attitude out of proportion. He said he feels it is extremely important for Adera to continue his efforts in the English department.

"If he goes, then the 'third world' literature goes, and no one's ever going to be exposed to it," Caddell said. "I hope he can hang tough in the face of whatever the administration tries to throw at him."



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Sports

Eagles Succeed In Multiple Sports

By Stacey Freed
Bulletin Staff Writer

Most athletes have their hands full juggling academics with a sport. But what about those athletes who play two or even three sports?

"It gets hard when you're on an away trip and have a test the next day," said sophomore Bridget Rooney, who is a member of the field hockey, basketball track team. "The coaches try to make sure there's a study van."

But even with a study van, three sports can be draining.

"I'm not playing basketball next year," said junior Jay Wilson, who plays volleyball, softball, and added basketball to her repertoire this past season. "I got burned out really easy—I'm tired," she said.

According to volleyball and softball Coach Deborah Conway, it takes a certain type of athlete to take on more than one sport.

"It really depends on the individual's drive and desire to achieve," said Conway. "It also requires good physical ability. Jay is a good worker and is very talented."

Each athlete seems to have his or her own reason for playing more than one sport.

"I just enjoy the competition," said senior Ashley Young who plays lacrosse and soccer. "And if I'm playing, I stay disciplined because I budget my time."

Freshman soccer and basketball player Stefanie Teter says she is bored when she is not playing.

"It's easier to have something balance my time," Teter said. "Now I'm wondering what to do."

And senior Ricchie Treger, who plays basketball and started playing baseball this year, did not want to have any regrets.

"I saw it as kind of a last chance to play for an organized team," said Treger. "It's something I wish I had done sooner and I'm a little sorry I waited this long."

Baseball Coach Tom Sheridan is sorry too.

"I've been trying to get Ricchie to play since he was a freshman," Sheridan said. "Usually a player picks one sport, I guess their first love, and in Ricchie's case it was basketball. But we're glad to have him."

This type of comment does have its downside.

"I really don't have a lot of time with sports, my biology major and work," said Young. "I have to sacrifice something and that means my social life."

And Conway says that jumping from one season to the next can be a handicap.

"When someone's participating in two or three sports, that player doesn't have a chance to work in the off-season and prepare," said Conway.

But Rooney finds the opposite to be true.

"I find myself in better shape for the spring season because I've been playing all fall," Rooney said.

According to Conway, athletes here are very lucky.

"The overlap of seasons really isn't a problem," said Conway. "It's one of the luxuries of going to a Division III school. The pressure is not there."



Photo Mike Woodward



Photo Kim Soker

MWC's Year Round Athletes

Here is just a small sample of some of the students that participated in more than one sport here at MWC this past year. Left: three sport athlete Jay Wilson before a volleyball practice. Wilson also played basketball and softball. Below: two sport athlete Stefanie Teter, who was a basketball teammate of Wilson's, in one of her soccer games. Right: Ricchie Treger in an Eagle basketball game against Marymount. Treger just became a multiple sport athlete this year by making the baseball team.

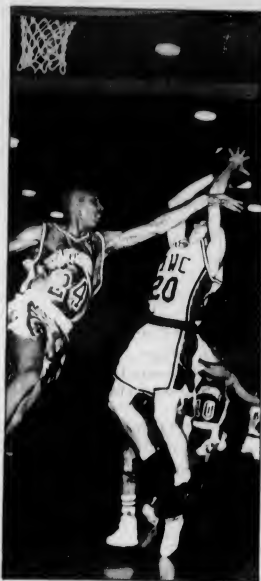


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Eagles Who Play More Than One Sport

MWC Sports: The Year In Review

Tim Dwyer
Sports Commentary

Well, this is the second to last issue of *The Bulletin* for the year and I thought it was time to review some of the events of the past year in MWC athletics.

I can now say that the women's soccer team, which made it to the national semifinals before losing in overtime, is not the most successful team or individual athlete (Time is running out to collect on your bets, ladies). They've been dropped to second by a member of the women's swim team.

Junior Shannon Hutcherson became the first male or female person in school history to become a national champion as an individual. Overall, the women's swim team finished 11th in the nation. In my opinion the combination of the individual championship and the high team finish gives the women's swim team the spotlight for the year (Remember though, the year is not over).

The field hockey team won a school record 13 games.

I must admit to everyone the thing I am going to miss the most about not being back next year for the fall sports, the men's soccer games. I really enjoyed

"cheering" for the opposing teams when they came to the Battleground.

Women's basketball also deserves a lot of credit even though they got stuffed out of a bid to the ECAC Tournament.

It is still hard to comment on the spring sports since so many games have been postponed due to the dumpy weather we've had this spring, but I have a feeling that at least one of the teams will make a run at trying to dethrone the women's swim team. Which team will it be?

However, I would like to see some changes in the upcoming years at MWC.

If anyone ever actually reads this page maybe they will remember seeing an article about the concept of coaches being tenured here at MWC. Since this is a column I can come out and say that I still don't agree with that concept, but I realize the school can't do anything about it right away. But please try.

I would also like to see one particular lady named Dani Ashbaugh try and use up her last year of eligibility next year and go back out for the women's soccer team.

Oh, I almost forgot, to the women's basketball player that thinks she can do better than one of the male coaches here, I agree.

Sports Briefs

Baseball's Streak Hits Thirteen

This past Sunday, MWC's baseball won its 13th straight game by sweeping a doubleheader from CAC foe Catholic University. The two wins also clinch the number one seed in this weekend's upcoming CAC Tournament.

The games will be played this Saturday at the Battleground. The Eagles are tentatively scheduled to play at 10 a.m. on Saturday. The number two and three seeds will tentatively play at 1 p.m., with the title game scheduled for 4 p.m.

The official times can be found out by calling X 4378 starting Tuesday, April 13.



Photo Art Speyer

Assistant Coach Mike Webb instructs members of the men's soccer team at a practice in the fall. Now the team must work out without instruction from the coach.

Eagles Stay Sharp In The Off-season

By Eric Edwards
Special To The Bulletin

The Mary Washington College men's soccer team has attacked this off season with a renewed fervor. Since the beginning of February, a group of players has been making weekly ventures to Woodbridge, Va to participate in a men's indoor soccer league, as well as a few tournaments. Sophomore Tommy Walthall, one of the team's captains, has tried to keep as much of the team as active as possible.

"It is good to get playing as often as possible," said Walthall. "The more you play the better your touch on the ball will be. I know what we are doing won't really get us into shape, but it gets us less out of shape, and above all it keeps us working with the ball."

Walthall has gotten the team involved in the men's league, and has scheduled a number of indoor tournament appearances. All of this playing time costs money, and those who play are responsible for every penny of it.

"The men's league in Woodbridge charges \$450 per team, but since I work there they gave me a break," said Walthall. "We pay \$20 for each person

who wants to play."

So far the Eagles are sporting a 12 man roster and a bill of \$240, but the tournaments are a different story.

"The tournaments we play at Elizabethtown and Gettysburg are each costing us \$80 (for the team)," said Walthall. "This is money out of our own pockets."

Freshman Jeff Kramer, one of the 12 on the indoor roster, says that including food and gas, he has spent approximately \$60 to participate.

Sophomore David Holt is another player who has sacrificed time and money to keep his game in peak form. "It is financially strenuous, but I think that it does a lot for us mentally," said Holt. "Indoor is a really quick game so you have to react quicker to get good touches on the ball. The first few times I was out there I felt foolish because you can't use speed and your body to move up the field, you have to rely on good passes."

Holt said that more players should take part in the league and tournaments. "A lot of guys haven't touched a ball since the last game, and that just isn't good," said Holt. "If I had my choice we would participate as a team every day of the week."

Holt explained that it is hard for a team captain to get the players organized because he has no real authority.

Coach Roy Gordon, who coaches the tennis team and has to leave his off season care of the soccer team to the captains.

"It is difficult for me to coach the men's tennis team and take care of an off-season sport," said Gordon. "Organizing the off-season is one of the responsibilities of the team captains."

For the past few years the organization of an indoor team has not been there, and only a few players have had the opportunity to play. Gordon says that has changed.

"Tommy [Walthall] has done a good job," said Gordon. "This is the most active the group has been in recent memory. He has been aggressive with getting the guys out there playing."

Junior Victor Balestra, a player who has not been able to participate in the indoor season because of injuries, feels that the coach's absence is not detrimental.

"I think that it's a good thing coach is not with us," said Balestra. "It gives a chance to develop our skills on our

own."

Another advantage of the indoor season is that it allows the team to compete against some of the teams that they will be playing at the outset of the 1993 NCAA outdoor season.

"One of the first tournaments we will play next year will be at Elizabethtown, and Gettysburg will also be there," said junior Chris Waganan. "We have played against both of them now."

Injuries keep some off the field, but some just can't afford to play.

"I really would like to be out there, and when the funds are available for me to do so I will play," said junior Matt St. Amand.

He says that while the monetary aspect of the game is foreboding, the prospect of tightening the team and strengthening team unity will make up for the cost in the long run.

The team has played five games in the indoor league and has a 3-2 record. "This indoor season will really serve to make us more of a cohesive team next year," said St. Amand. "Every little thing we do becomes a plus for us over the minimal work we did as a team last winter."

Entertainment

Movies

at Dodd Auditorium

Tuesday, April 13 7:30/10 p.m.
Wednesday, April 14 7:30/10 p.m.
"Single White Female"

Shows

Thursday, April 15-18 Dance
Concert, Mary Washington
College Dance Company; Dodd
Auditorium; 8 p.m. April 15-17;
2 p.m. April 18; \$3 general
admission; 899-4330

Friday, April 16 Concert, Mary
Washington College
Community Orchestra; Dodd
Auditorium; 8:15 p.m.; free

Monday, April 19 Concert,
Mary Washington College Show
Choir; Dodd Auditorium; 7:30
p.m.; free

Exhibits

Through Aug. 1 "Oriental Philosophy
in America: Kurt and Elsa Leidecker
and Their Asian Collection;" Ridderhof
Martin Gallery; Monday, Wednesday
and Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday
and Sunday, 1-4 p.m.; free

Through April 19 "The Artist Looks
at Sister Artists;" Ridderhof Martin
Gallery Lobby; Monday, Wednesday
Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and
Sunday 1-4 p.m.; free

April 9-22 Annual Student Art
Exhibition; duPont Galleries;
Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.,
Saturday, Sunday, 1-4 p.m.; free

Check this out...

Earth Day Bash is coming April 21!

There's No Swimming In These Pools Students Find Entertainment at Local Pool Halls

By Katherine Ashby
Bulletin Staff Writer

It seems that Mary Washington students are spending a lot more time lately racking their balls-pool balls that is: at the local pool halls.

"It's something different for the young crowd," said Jerry Loar, owner of J.J.'s Billiards. "A lot of people start playing and end up liking it...It's easy to get hooked on." J.J.'s, located on Lafayette Blvd., is one of five pool halls in the Fredericksburg area. It provides twelve nine-foot tables and three seven-foot tables for the pool crowd. Frank, an employee of J.J.'s, said that the crowd is usually between the ages of 18 and 30, and the busiest nights are Friday and Saturday, when there can be a wait for the tables. For the seven-foot tables, which are 75 cents, the patrons simply wait their turn. A waiting list is formed for the nine-foot tables, which are \$3.20 an hour per person. J.J.'s is open for business Monday-Thursday from noon until midnight, Friday and Saturday from noon until 2 a.m., and Sunday from 5 p.m. to midnight.

Another pool hot spot is the Fun Time Arcade and Billiards in Earl's Shopping Center on White Oak Road, which has been in business for three years. According to employee Lee Chatlin, people that play during the week are usually over 20, but on the weekends, it is a younger crowd.

"On the weekend, it's mostly high school. I'd say about 40 percent [are] over twenty," said Chatlin.

"I love playing pool 'cause you can drink and smoke, and you don't have to talk to girls."

—senior Pat Hurlbert

Chatlin added that he has seen an increase in the number of people coming in to play pool.

"I've seen a lot of new faces. Usually it's the standard crowd, but different people have been coming in," said Chatlin.

Like J.J.'s, the busiest nights are Fridays and Saturdays, but so are Wednesdays "for some ungodly reason," said Chatlin.

When all the five tables are busy, people patiently wait for the tables.

"Everyone knows the rules here," added Chatlin. Chatlin said that most people put 75 cents up (the cost of the game) and play the winner of the table.

"Winner stays, loser pays," said Chatlin.

As the name suggests, Fun Time Arcade and Billiards also has air hockey and a number of video games, including Total Carnage, Star Wars and NBA Jam. Chatlin said that during the week people usually just play pool, but on



Photo Mike Woodward

A customer lines up his shot on one of the pool tables in the bar area of Spirits.

the weekends, there is both a pool crowd and a video game crowd.

Fun Time is open from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. during the week including Sundays and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturdays.

The last of the true pool halls is the Recreational Center on William Street, which has five pool tables, in addition to bowling game and video games. Two of the tables are coin-operated and cost 75 cents. The three larger tables are \$2.00 an hour per person.

"Most people don't know who we are," said Victoria,

who is the owner of the Recreational Center.

The Recreational Center also sponsors pool tournaments, which Victoria said that students from Germania have participated in and added that MWC students could enter. Anyone who is interested can stop by and get more information. They are open seven days a week from 8:30 to 9 p.m., but they stop serving food at 8 p.m.

"We're glad to have college kids," added Victoria.

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Student Exhibit Hosts a Myriad of Art

By Jamie Pizzomo
Bulletin Staff Writer

Alabaster and marble sculptures, salt blocks and murals are some examples of the art work shown in the Annual Student Art Exhibit, which will be held in the duPont Galleries until April 22.

"It's a student art exhibit, which means works from all areas of studio arts are shown together," said senior art major Holly Dittmar.

Included within the studio arts are painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, ceramics and sculpture.

"It's a chance for us to show everyone the quality of work done at the college," said Steve Griffin, associate professor of art.

Any student can submit a piece of work, but the professors select what will go in the show.

According to Griffin, you do not have to be an art student to enter. He added, however, that most of the submissions are from art students.

One facet of the exhibition is an awards ceremony where students were judged best in their category by the art department faculty. The students' works were placed in the appropriate category by the type of media that was used to complete their work. Within each art form, judges give a department award, which is associated with money, and an honorable mention. Specialized funded awards were also presented at the ceremony.

One such award is the Anne Elizabeth Collins award which commemorates a former student who was very devoted to the discipline of graphic art. This year's recipient was sophomore



Photo Kim Stoker

Jennifer Carroll's water color "Phil" is on display in the Student Art Exhibition.

Suzanne Augugliaro.

The Emile Schnellock Award for

Excellence in Painting

was given to

senior Jennifer L.

Carroll.

Department

awards

given for

specific mediums include: Peter

Frederick, photography; Holly A.

Dittmar, ceramics; senior Anne S.

Flues, printmaking; sophomore

Rosana B. Lopez, drawing; senior

Julie Ann Holland, sculpture; Janet E. Allen, textile design.

"The goal of art is not to paint pretty pictures, but to capture people's attention"

—senior Anne Flues

their works, if they want to sell them," said Dittmar.

Exposure, however, does not seem to be a major reason for the exhibit.

"I think it's neat for you not only to

see your own work, but see what other people are doing also," said Dittmar. "You get ideas and get inspired in different ways."

Anne S. Flues, who won awards in three different categories, was inspired to catch people's attention.

"The Goal of Art is not to paint pretty pictures, but to capture people's attention," said Flues. "Often times we are so inundated with visual images that we often dismiss as normal. I consider it a challenge to try and create something that will capture someone's attention. I try to make people take a second look."

Spring Activities Are Just Around the Corner

Spring has sprung in Fredericksburg and at Mary Washington College. This area can be rich in places to enjoy the warm weather, from water sports to hiking to volunteer work. Below are some suggestions.

Outdoor Adventures:

After being cooped up in Trinkle all winter, spring weather is an excuse to blow off school work and go hiking, backpacking or canoeing. Outdoor Adventures on 4300 Plank Road offers day and weekend hiking and backpacking excursions. Day trips run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and cost about \$10, weekend trips start around \$25. Hikes are through Shenandoah National Park and are led by the owner of Outdoor Adventures, Tom Jones. Transportation to Shenandoah is provided and is included in the cost of the hike.

Starting in late April, Outdoor Adventures also offers canoeing trips along the Rappahannock

river. Trips of various distances are available. Canoes accommodate two adults and are \$30 a day, \$55 for the weekend. Anyone interested should call Outdoor Adventures at 786-3334.

Chatham Manor: History buffs and green thumbs may want to visit found at 120 Chatham Lane. The colonial style house, built in the 1770's, played various crucial roles throughout

the Civil War and can boast that both George Washington and Abraham Lincoln slept there. In addition to its historical significance, Chatham Manor maintains impressive formal gardens kept in the style of the 1920's. Administered by the National Park Service, Chatham Manor is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., admission is free. For more information call 373-4461.

Walking Tours of Historic Fredericksburg: Fredericksburg is a city rich with Civil War history. The Fredericksburg visitor's center on Caroline and Charlotte Streets provides pamphlet guided walking tours of Washington Av-

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enue, Hanover Street and lower Caroline Street. A two part pamphlet tour entitled "Fire in the Streets" and "The Assault on Marye's Heights" winds the tourist through much of downtown Fredericksburg. Tours indicate the historical significance of different buildings and highlight crucial dates. For more information call the Fredericksburg visitor's center between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 373-1776.

Dogs from the S.P.C.A.: Between Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. you can help the puppy of your choice enjoy spring. The Fredericksburg chapter of the S.P.C.A. lends dogs to anyone willing to walk them, as long as they're returned by 4 p.m. Sometimes, though, a simple afternoon walk becomes a friend for life. Puppies may be adopted for \$30 by anyone living off campus who will provide the animal with a happy home. Thirty dollars covers the dog's first shots and deworming; \$10 is refunded when the pet is spayed or neutered. Call 373-9008 for more information.

Parks and Picnics: If you do borrow a dog, you may want to take it and a friend for a picnic in one of the various parks around the college. Old Mill Park, John Pratt Park, Allum Springs Park, Lee Drive and Memorial Recreational Park (formerly Kenmore Park) are all short

drive from or within walking distance of the college. Most parks are open until dusk and do not usually charge admission. For more information call the Fredericksburg Park Authority at 373-7909 or the National Park Service at 373-6122.

C.O.A.R. Volunteer Programs: Spring is a wonderful time to volunteer. The C.O.A.R. office is sponsoring different programs over the next few weeks. Wednesday, April 17 at 10 p.m. there will be a sleep out in Ball Circle to raise homeless awareness. Saturday, April 17 is "One Bright Day: Virginia's Hunger Cleanup." Activities involved include spring cleaning at the Hope House and building a playground at the Fredericksburg domestic violence shelter. For more information call the C.O.A.R. office at 4821.

Volleyball: You've seen groups playing volleyball in Ball Circle or Jefferson Square and probably never knew that you, too, could borrow those nets for \$10 deposit. Nets are distributed by intramural program supervisors. Program supervisors ask that those interested request the nets a week in advance but can usually provide them with a minimum of two days notice. To reserve a net call 4514, ask for any program supervisor.

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Two other places to shoot pool are the San Antonio Rose and Spirits, which are not actual pool halls, but have tables for their customers.

The San Antonio Rose has eight coin-operated tables, which cost 75 cents.

The tables are located by the bar, and Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays are popular days to play pool because of the free pizza during happy hour.

The restaurant section of Spirits is open every day from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., and the bar area stays open until 2:30 a.m.

The Recreational Center, Spirits and The San Antonio Rose are popular with the students because they serve alcohol, which is one of the reasons some students play pool.

"I love playing pool, 'cause you can drink and smoke, and you don't have to talk to girls," said senior Pat Hurlbert.

Senior Pete Chirico agrees.

"It's [pool] a relaxing game, not strenuous. You can talk while you're doing it, and you can drink, too," said Chirico.

Bob Sihler, senior, who said that he likes pool because "it's a game for real men," said that J.J.'s has the best tables, but there is no alcohol served.

"The Rec Center is your ultimate pool atmosphere with a lot of drinking, smoking and playing pool," added Sihler.

When asked about the possibility of



Photo Mike Woodward

Spirits, located on Caroline Street, is one of the places to play pool in Fredericksburg.

serving alcohol at J.J.'s, Loar said that he has considered it, but decided not to.

"It doesn't add to the family-type room that I'm striving for," said Loar.

Victoria said that she has a "mixed bag" at the Rec Center of drinkers and non-drinkers. She said that a lot of people drink O'Douls (non-alcoholic beer) and soft drinks.

Drinking, however, is not everyone's reason for playing pool.

"I'm a fifth year senior, I'm short on friends, and I've got nothing else to do," said Larry Havey when asked why he plays pool.

Sophomore Lynn Cromer likes being a girl that can shoot pool.

"Guys don't usually expect girls to play well, or at all for that matter. Then when you beat them, they're too embarrassed to tell their friends," said Cromer.

Cromer added that she likes to play because it is relaxing, and it is something she can do by herself. She said that she is somewhat intimidated by the pool halls in Fredericksburg.

"You walk in and a bunch of old men are watching you play. It's embarrassing."

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But aside from time and space, Burton said the critical factor is money. Joyce said, "Usually what we pay is \$50 a night for royalties for a non-musical. If I do a musical, it goes up to \$200, plus renting musicians for the orchestra. Often a musical will double our cost, but the budget stays the same."

Students question the idea of renting musicians. Freshman Melissa Smith, cast member of "A

Midsummer's Night Dream" and member of the Fredericksburg Singers said, "Michael Joyce says things about paying for an orchestra, but there are enough people who would be willing to volunteer their time for something as fun as a musical."

But even with a volunteer orchestra, the royalties paid to obtain a musical are high. Burton said, "If you try to do mainstream Broadway musicals like Rogers and Hammerstein, you're

gonna get into big bucks. Obviously, the draw of a Rogers and Hammerstein musical would be greater."

Joyce said, "It really becomes difficult. Not only is it a budget problem, but you're disappointing students."

Many students hope that musicals will not be forever lost as the trend moves in that direction, but events concerning the end of dance at MWC lend little hope to performers in other artistic endeavors.

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Personals

Dear Lizzy D. and Merilee-
 I'll miss you guys like crazy next year. I'm so glad I got to share freshman year with you two!
 -Love always, Seanette
 Trifecters(Roomie #1 and Roomie #1)
 Can I just say that I love you guys. Peace being with us all. I hope you both Rock on you finals. I'm gonna miss U 2 heaps this summa. On June 17 the Lunch Bunch will trifect North. Well Alright. I love you guyses(y'all). I found my rula!
 -Crocker(Roomie #1)
 Katie-
 Sola mihi places. Tuque, es mea lepida, meae deliciae, nahi evrae solae. ero kai philo, erometa mai..

J.
 Hey You in the Bluz-
 Yes, you-California Boy? Ya, that's right the guy in white socks. You're pretty cute. But lose the socks. Hey for that matter lose the shirt & the shoes...
 Ade-
 I didn't think you wanted a girl to beat you-thats why I don't run! and I think I've quit crying.
 Thanks!
 EAV-
 Hey! You're the finest thing. I'd pay mucho dinero to see that smile. Thank you for all of my little presents. I love you completely.
 -TM EVERY WOMAN
 Hey Tom-
 Get a grip. No, not a pimp, a gripp! (Snail)
 Beata-
 Next time hear "You're the one that I want" will you dance with me. Let's get down and dirty.

-Watching, Wanting, Waiting in Willard
 K.M.S.-
 I'll take "The Ancient Art of Napkin Folding" only if you take "Conversational Chinese."
 -D.J.M.
 Lu-Lu-
 We'll miss you next year, but we're sure you'll do "average." Just remember it's water-based, no new wallies, glass breaks if you kick it, salt shaker, salt shaker, and Cute Boy is ours! Who's gonna brush your teeth?

-Love, Em, Ki, and Kelly
 Jane Saxy-
 What up sexy lady? We've got to go dancing!
 Hey Dean Beck-
 You've acknowledged that the visitation is discriminant to heterosexuals. Well, when the U.S. ruled blacks are equal to whites they gave them equal rights. In 1920, women were given the right to vote, we didn't take it away from the men. To make things equal you give ya don't take away. Why don't you follow the example the United States of America set. I think it's pretty cool.

-Greg Monne
 To the little Red Head who got taken to the Health center-
 We still love you even if your RA's an unfair bitch.
 Travis Russell-
 Thank you for everything last weekend. You did things for me that haven't been done in a long time. I think that you are a really special person, so please keep in touch!
 -You know who
 Greg-
 LBSS
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 U & Me
 Always, (sober or drunk!)
 Roy-Boy-
 Sorry we weren't acting like "ladies" on Sat. nite. Was the sex too much for you? We thought you needed to relax!

-The Virginial Sluts
 Keith-
 Everyone thinks they have a sense of humor when they don't!
 -The "Ladies"
 Vinnie (The Italian Stallion)-
 Thanks for the phone sex! We'll do you again sometime!
 -The "Ho-as"

TL-
 TAKE A JOKE.
 -BUDDY
 G's and K's-
 Have two bodies ever moved together so smoothly? OOOGA-BOOGA and as Bob Marley says Ha-a-ha-a with some bananas.
 -B's
 Mary-
 Did I tell you how quippy you look today?
 -Jane
 Hey Lenny Orstein-
 Tall Guy...Short Guy. You Big Stud Muffin!
 -Leah
 Every Woman's Man-
 The roses were beautiful, I must tell you one more time. Let me just say that you made all of my Birthday wishes come true. You know, I can only rock America if you keep on rocking me!
 -Every Woman
 Nik-
 Don't forget the condoms and shaving cream at 5:00 am during Jr. Ring Week! And how about those dirt front yards out in Stafford? The past 3 years wouldn't have been the same without you. For you and me "anything less than the best is a felony!"

-Love, Bethie
 Betty and Crocker-
 Ya'll are the Trifecters and the best friends I could ever want! Love You!
 To all the Leg Lift Lady Fans-
 Thanks for your support! We couldn't keep the personals coming without your help!
 911 Marye-
 A belated thanks for the hospitality over Spring Break...and for the potatoes, of course.
 -Bethany
 Seion-
 You've been a good sport. Please keep cutting on me. I've enjoyed the time we've spend together.
 -Leg Lift Lady
 Matt Clark-
 You and Gonzo shouldn't go at it every night or you'll get hemorrhoids.
 -The concerned residence of 5th floor
 Texan-
 At least you don't have gangrene...! If you feel fine, you're just drunk, right? May you be drunk the rest of your life. I love you!
 -Northernner
 'Anal' Geoff-
 Would you please give me back my purple underwear! Thank you. Seion-
 I hear you're thinking of asking me out. I'd like to go out and have a drink with you. Are your legs strong enough to walk downtown?
 -Leg Lift Lady
 Kim-a-tollah-
 Hey, you hippy chick! Thanks for caring me around lately- you are a true friend! Stick with me and I'll tell you some more good Joyce Engel stories. Thanks for listening to me.
 -Love ya, Chip
 Sporadic Vegetarians-
 Thank you for a good laugh.
 -A Sporadic meat-eater
 Blakey-
 Your beautiful and I love ya and that's all I've got to say!
 -Carolene
 K-did-
 I think I've finally found my man. He may be a weird bird, but at least he's not psycho. At least you've got Ed-what a man! Two weeks till finals, watch those fire trucks!

-Sunshine
 Buckley, Ryan, Ross-
 You must be freshmen.
 -C.T. (not)
 J.C. in Marshall-
 I love the way your beautiful blue eyes crinkle at the corners when you giggle.
 -Johnnie Johnson
 Professor Rallis & Professor Stageberg-
 Thank you for an open and fair discussion about sexuality.

Dean Beck-
 My roommate doesn't shower and his section smells, this offends me. I am not assertive and can't stand up for myself. Could you make an amendment that says people have to shower every day. Thanks.
 -He who nose
 Me-
 Where's my dinner and it seems like yesterday when I fell off a bed. Thanks for all the fights we had. I look forward toore next year.
 -Latt
 Squeaky-
 Welcome to the HOUSE OF PAIN. Never say never.
 -Sparky, Drooler and Webster
 Amanda Harris-
 Were you wearing band aids last Saturday by any chance? And are you really going to put that cheap "Elvis Art" crap from Rose's (\$4.00) on your wall? Scary, scary thought.
 Bye poopyl!
 -Love, C.D.
 Pete Lefterts-
 Nice to have a life you and your rules bite. You are useless with your powers. And a real joke. To the Concerned Hallmates of Mason-
 Leave Jon alone. He's a damn good hook-up! If I want more, then I'll get more.
 -L
 Crazy Jane-
 Yes, I want to be a member! Everybody Wang Chung tonight.
 -Nancy
 Colly-
 My sincere apologies for any humiliation that you might have suffered having your "personal items" lent out last week. You know that I think you are one in a million trillion!
 -Love, The Blond Across the Hall Who Stole Your Clothes!
 Leigh Davis-
 I'm leaving May 9, let's get together soon!
 -Your sister
 Snuffy-
 I'd prefer you without the bowling shirt...Then we could really get crazy...
 -Secret Silent Screamer
 Chris Brady-
 Our time together is rapidly decreasing. If you don't make a move, I'll be forced to go public with my undying affection...
 -xoxo T-Buddy
 Britta G.-
 Have fun at Rindgance? Please give up that glaring & malicious stare of yours- He's taken & she's beautiful!
 -M.
 Logic Check-
 Just try it. But don't forget the sour apple blow pop. Next time try watermelon.
 -Brecher
 Amy-
 Happy 20th birthday! You are awesome. I love you and I hope you have a great week.
 -Your shunki
 Lindsey-
 Thanks for the late night sex(talks) early morning rides(home), and lots of laughs! It's been fun! MWC and I are going to miss you next year! Congratulations! Take Care.
 -Rat Killer
 Men all suck, but at least there are cephalopods. Cheer up.
 -Munge
 Caroline-
 Thanks for being there and being patient.
 -Heather
 Merv-
 GET SOME MORE MOVIES.
 -Blob on your bod
 Little Miss Messy Poop-
 You are really cute when you want to be so please be cute all the time. Thanks putting up with me this week.
 -Mr. Cleanup and Vacuum
 EVERYONE IN BUSHNELL-
 K.C. IS REALLY MOODY AND ACTING STUPID! WATCH OUT HE MAY BE CONTAGIOUS!
 -CONCERNED CITIZEN

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PHONES

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president of the student association.

Len Ornstein, president of the student association, said, "We were very happy Dean Warlick came to Senate and defused a potentially explosive situation. He made sure senators knew the situation so they could keep the student body informed."

Mullins said she appreciates Warlick's actions.

"I commend the way Dean Warlick handled the situation. He dealt with it appropriately," she said.

Stephanie Singer, assistant dean of Westmoreland Hall, said she did not think the loss of private phone lines would effect a potential resident's decision to live in Westmoreland.

"Phones aren't the only thing people look at when they consider where they want to live next year. Phones are one component of Westmoreland, but they are not the only one," said Singer.

"I didn't want to have to pay a phone bill, anyway," said sophomore Amy Drewer.

Mary Washington College is not installing phones in every room because a telecommunications project is currently under way that will not only offer phone access to every room on campus, but will offer cable hook-ups and computer line access to every room, said Warlick. "It is not economically feasible to bring in new lines now and a few years later do it again. It simply would not be cost effective," said Warlick.

According to 1993 BOV's buildings and grounds agenda for the spring 1993, "When completed, this project will be a state of the art voice, video, and data transmission

network to each student room, classroom and office on campus. The new infrastructure will support the incorporation of computing and telecommunications technology in teaching and research, and provide services to enhance student academic and residential life. Also incorporated into the project will be electrical upgrades to several buildings."

Private phone lines in every room have obvious benefits. Cable ready rooms will allow professors to show movies many times and at different times throughout the week so that students may watch at their convenience. Computers will introduce campus-wide e-mail which will mean that a student will be able to turn in a paper without leaving her room and that she will be able to send messages to her friends or her entire class.

Jefferson Hall Senator Tim Landis said, "Overall I think the system is a good idea, but I don't see how turning papers by computers saves any time."

The "electrical upgrades" will generate the increased power supply necessary to power the fiber optic telecommunications project, said Carol Martin, assistant vice president for computer resources.

"Twenty dorms on campus experience brown-outs now. We will add 20 circuit amps to every dorm room to eliminate the brown outs," said Martin.

According to the buildings and grounds agenda for the Board of Visitors for spring 1993: "The total project budget is \$5,598,100 including equipment, contingency and design." The source of funds for the telecommunications project is revenue bonds that will be paid back over

a twenty-year period, said Martin.

"This new system will carry us well into the next century," said Warlick.

Before the digging for fiber optic lines may begin, however, the college had to submit a request for proposal to the State Department of Information Technology (DIT) in Richmond, according to Warlick. DIT is a state organization that decides if the fiber optics system requested is affordable and appropriate for Mary Washington. The college must continue submitting requests until one is approved.

"I'm ready to start the construction process right now. But it's not something that can be done instantaneously because of the rules and regulations we must abide by. Regulations slow the process, but they insure quality and safety," said Warlick.

DIT has returned an initial draft to Mary Washington College's office of computer resources with some suggestions for formal revisions, according to Martin. When the request for proposal is completely approved, companies will start bidding for the college's business. The company with the best proposal is offered the job.

Martin said that a company is chosen based on their past performance and experience on a similar project, the company's references and their technical presentation. Martin also said that cost is a factor but the project does not go to the lowest bidder.

"We want to make sure we don't do anything to hurt our beautiful campus or our beautiful buildings," Martin said. Martin expects the request for proposal to be approved

by DIT toward the end of May. The next step will be to circulate the request for proposal to different contractors who must then return their bid to Mary Washington by a date yet to be determined, but probably sometime over the summer, according to Martin. The evaluation process lasts approximately between four and six weeks, at the end of which time a contractor is awarded the project, according to Martin.

Even after the project is assigned to a contractor, it is far from finished. The construction process from start to finish will take approximately three years, according to Warlick. Furthermore, the Board of Visitor's buildings and grounds agenda for spring 1993 states that all interior work in the residence halls will be completed when the buildings are vacant over the summer.

"This system will be a wonderful asset, and I look forward to the day it's operational. But that day will not be tomorrow," said Warlick.

However, some students realize that for several years the administration has been claiming that they are working on the rewiring.

"That 'video, voice, data' thing that the administration has been selling to prospective students for quite a while seems to have taken a back seat to reality," said a senior who wished to remain anonymous.

Al Wolstenholme, a senator from Custis Hall, said, "The new system is not going to benefit the students that are here now. Getting rid of private phone lines now is a necessary evil, but, in the long run, fiber optics will be better for the college."

GRADING

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Other student government leaders were more pleased with the outcome.

According to sophomore Heather Mullins, student association vice-president, "I was pleased that it didn't pass because I thought it was a little hurried. We found that not many students had strong feelings about the issue."

Sophomore Jennifer Caruth, executive coordinator of the student association, is one of those students who could not find a stance to take.

"I haven't really been able to make up my mind about it because it shows what kinds of grades you really have, but a minus looks really bad," said Caruth.

Some students did feel strongly about the issue, and worked very hard to lobby against it. A group of seven freshmen, led by Derek Botcher, organized a campaign against the change in the grading system on Tuesday night. They asked students to sign forms addressed to each of their respective professors, and then sent these out to the professors just prior to the vote.

The forms said, "I feel that the current ten point scale most accurately reflects my G.P.A., and I am opposed to any changes in the current grading system," and requested that the professors vote against the change.

"We sat and talked about it and we discussed the disadvantages of the

"I took a poll of my students and about two-thirds of my students said they didn't want the change, so I went along with that."

--Geography Professor Richard Palmieri

plus/minus system and we decided we wanted to do something about it," said Botcher, who estimated that the group distributed at least 1000 fliers to professors.

"I'm ecstatic that it didn't pass. I feel that without the plus/minus grading system I will have a more accurate G.P.A.," said Botcher.

Apparently Botcher's attempts reached some professors before they made their decisions. Professor of Chemistry John George said he received at least 20 fliers on Wednesday, most from students he knows very well.

"I was contacted by a large number of students and the only students who approached me were against it. I certainly took that into consideration," said George.

Several faculty members supported the change, but felt the proposal needed to be amended before they would vote for it. Professor of Chemistry Roy Gratz proposed that the plus/minus indicators be added to the

current grades to give a more accurate assessment of student performance, while having no effect on the student's grade point averages.

"I certainly feel that a C-plus student has done better than a C-minus student, but I'm not ready to give them Bs," said Gratz.

Gratz said that the students who proposed the change did so with the thought that their grade point averages would improve.

"I don't think the students who proposed this did so thinking that it would lower their G.P.A.s," said Gratz.

Gratz also brought up the problem of students with C-minus grades not being able to repeat courses under the current policy, although their grade point average would fall below a 2.0. According to the proposal, a C-minus would be worth 1.7 grade points, below the grade level required within a student's major. A student currently needs a 2.0 average in their major to receive a degree.

VISITATION

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"We feel that if we are on the administration's doorstep, they will see how badly the students want 24/7," Palcic said.

SA also sponsored a rally April 8 outside Lee Hall to inform people about the new 24/7 proposal and ask students to respectfully break visitation to show their support for 24/7. The rally included a call for action by Ornstein, Wade and Palcic, and chants outside Beck's office, George Washington Hall and College President William Anderson's office.

Beck went out on the balcony of Lee Hall during the rally and was laughing, smiling and waving at the students. When one student asked her a question about visitation over the megaphone, Beck did not respond.

"That was not an occasion to say anything," Beck said in an interview with the Bulletin later.

SA Vice President Heather Mullins circulated a petition at the rally that supporters of 24/7 signed.

"I have over 170 signatures, and that's only within half an hour," said Mullins.

Senior Chris Wright, organizer of Ignore the Campus Visitation Policy Day, also circulated a petition, and students who signed it pledged to show their support for 24/7 by breaking visitation April 8. By the end of the rally, Wright had collected at

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--freshman Todd Palcic

least 400 signatures.

"I didn't start this because I am against the proposal by the [visitation] subcommittee. I started this because I am pro-24/7," Wright said.

Both Wade and Ornstein hope the new proposal meets with Beck's satisfaction.

"Dean Beck has told me that she is for what the students want. If she truly is, then she is going to vote to approve this," Ornstein said.

If the proposal is rejected, former S.A. President Devon Williams will address the visitation issue in her report at the Board of Visitors meeting April 16. Both Wade and Amy Wray, co-chair of the Senate Welfare Committee, will speak to the BOV on Senate's behalf.

"We want the BOV to say to the administration, 'You have got to take the students seriously,'" Wade said.


Wray, who will graduate in May, continues to push for 24/7 even though she will not be able to use it.

"I personally wouldn't use it, but I feel that it is an adult thing. I am 22 years old and if I decide to have someone in my room I should be able to," Wray said.

Senator Mark Duffy, who helped draft the new 24/7 proposal, believes this proposal is comprehensive.

"We threw away the parameters of no 24/7 and we put it together so that it deals with how the students are going to use it, assertiveness and safety," Duffy said. "It would be something the administration could get behind, and the RAs could support. There's something in it for everybody."

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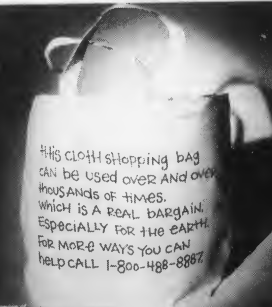



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